

# A thermodynamic model for the prediction of phase equilibria and speciation in the $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ – $\text{CO}_2$ – $\text{NaCl}$ – $\text{CaCO}_3$ – $\text{CaSO}_4$ system from 0 to 250 °C, 1 to 1000 bar with NaCl concentrations up to halite saturation

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## Abstract

A thermodynamic model is developed for the calculation of both phase and speciation equilibrium in the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ – $\text{CO}_2$ – $\text{NaCl}$ – $\text{CaCO}_3$ – $\text{CaSO}_4$  system from 0 to 250 °C, and from 1 to 1000 bar with NaCl concentrations up to the saturation of halite. The vapor–liquid–solid (calcite, gypsum, anhydrite and halite) equilibrium together with the chemical equilibrium of  $\text{H}^+$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{CaHCO}_3^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})^+$ ,  $\text{OH}^-$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{HCO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{HSO}_4^-$ ,  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{CO}_{2(\text{aq})}$ ,  $\text{CaCO}_{3(\text{aq})}$  and  $\text{CaSO}_{4(\text{aq})}$  in the aqueous liquid phase as a function of temperature, pressure and salt concentrations can be calculated with accuracy close to the experimental results.

Based on this model validated from experimental data, it can be seen that temperature, pressure and salinity all have significant effects on pH, alkalinity and speciations of aqueous solutions and on the solubility of calcite, halite, anhydrite and gypsum. The solubility of anhydrite and gypsum will decrease as temperature increases (e.g. the solubility will decrease by 90% from 360 K to 460 K). The increase of pressure may increase the solubility of sulphate minerals (e.g. gypsum solubility increases by about 20–40% from vapor pressure to 600 bar). Addition of NaCl to the solution may increase mineral solubility up to about 3 molality of NaCl, adding more NaCl beyond that may slightly decrease its solubility. Dissolved  $\text{CO}_2$  in solution may decrease the solubility of minerals. The influence of dissolved calcite on the solubility of gypsum and anhydrite can be ignored, but dissolved gypsum or anhydrite has a big influence on the calcite solubility. Online calculation is made available on [www.geochem-model.org/model](http://www.geochem-model.org/model).

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Most geological fluids fall into the system  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ – $\text{CO}_2$ – $\text{NaCl}$ – $\text{CaCO}_3$ – $\text{CaSO}_4$  or its subsystems. A thermodynamic model for the calculation of the vapor–liquid–solid (calcite, halite, gypsum, anhydrite) equilibrium coupled with the speciation equilibrium in the liquid phase over a wide range of temperature, pressure and salinity (TPX) is necessary for

the calculation of  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility, alkalinity, pH, speciation, and mineral solubility under different temperature and pressure or different geological settings. Such model has wide applications in the prediction of the  $\text{CO}_2$  destiny in its geological storage, prediction of secondary porosity in oil/gas reservoirs, analyzing fluid inclusions, deducing the formation mechanisms of hydrothermal ore deposits (Giles, 1987; Duan et al., 1995; Duan and Sun, 2003; Pruess and Spycher, 2007).

We have previously (Duan and Li, 2008) presented a thermodynamic model for the quaternary system,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ – $\text{CO}_2$ – $\text{NaCl}$ – $\text{CaCO}_3$ , which predicts the solubility of  $\text{CO}_2$  and calcite and other properties over a wide TPX range.

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CaSO<sub>4</sub> is often another important component in natural aqueous systems (Zanbak and Arthur, 1986; Arslan and Dutt, 1993; Azimi et al., 2007). Addition of CaSO<sub>4</sub> to the quaternary system may affect the aqueous chemistry and vapor–liquid–mineral phase equilibrium. In addition to calcite and halite of the quaternary system, gypsum (CaSO<sub>4</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O) and anhydrite (CaSO<sub>4</sub>) may precipitate in the quinary system, H<sub>2</sub>O–CO<sub>2</sub>–NaCl–CaCO<sub>3</sub>–CaSO<sub>4</sub>. All these minerals are frequently encountered in sediments or sedimentary rocks. There have been many experimental work on the solubility of gypsum and anhydrite in aqueous solutions and their phase transitions under different temperatures and pressures (Hulett and Allen, 1902; Partridge and White, 1929; Hill, 1937; Booth and Bidwell, 1950; Madgin and Swales, 1956; Dickson et al., 1963; Power and Fabuss, 1964; Blount and Dickson, 1969; Blount and Dickson, 1973), but there is no systematic model to calculate them as a function of temperature, pressure, CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and salinity. As we know, CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration is considered to be a viable way to reduce the CO<sub>2</sub> emission to the air. When injected into the underground, CO<sub>2</sub> will have complex reactions with all the aqueous species. Accurate calculation of the equilibrium of CO<sub>2</sub> with all the possible species, CO<sub>2</sub> solubility, salts solubility, pH values, as well as fluid–rock interactions is very important for the study of the feasibility and security of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration (Giles, 1987; Pruess and Spycher, 2007; Li et al., 2007). Many researchers have also tried to establish thermodynamic models for this system. For example, Harvie et al. (1984) used Pitzer model to predict mineral solubility in the system Na–K–Mg–Ca–H–Cl–SO<sub>4</sub>–OH–HCO<sub>3</sub>–CO<sub>3</sub>–CO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O. The model has good precision, but it is only for 25 °C. Møller (1988), Greenberg and Møller (1989), Christov and Møller (2004a,b) did similar work, but their models did not consider pressure effects, especially partial CO<sub>2</sub> pressure effects, which can be very substantial as can be seen in later sections.

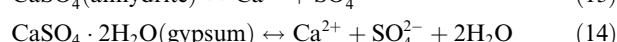
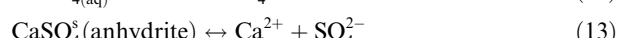
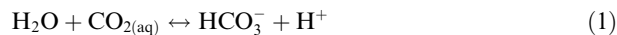
In this work, we established a model for the phase and chemical speciation equilibrium in the CO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O–NaCl–CaCO<sub>3</sub>–CaSO<sub>4</sub> system in the temperature range from 25 to 250 °C, and pressure range from 1 to 1000 bar, up to halite saturation. This model takes the following phases and species into account: liquid phase with species H<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, CaHCO<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, Ca(OH)<sup>+</sup>, OH<sup>−</sup>, Cl<sup>−</sup>, HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>−</sup>, CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2−</sup>, HSO<sub>4</sub><sup>−</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2−</sup>, CO<sub>2(aq)</sub>, CaCO<sub>3(aq)</sub> and CaSO<sub>4(aq)</sub>, vapor phase with CO<sub>2</sub> gas and H<sub>2</sub>O, and four solid phases, calcite, halite, gypsum and anhydrite.

## 2. PHENOMENOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION OF THE MODEL

### 2.1. The establishment of the equilibrium model

In the quaternary system H<sub>2</sub>O–CO<sub>2</sub>–NaCl–CaCO<sub>3</sub>, possible phases include vapor, liquid and solids. The vapor phase includes H<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub> below 250 °C, and liquid phase may contain the aqueous species H<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Ca(HCO<sub>3</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, Ca(OH)<sup>+</sup>, OH<sup>−</sup>, Cl<sup>−</sup>, HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>−</sup>, CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2−</sup>, CO<sub>2(aq)</sub> and CaCO<sub>3(aq)</sub> and the solid phase includes calcite and halite. With the addition of CaSO<sub>4</sub> into the quaternary

system, CaSO<sub>4(aq)</sub>, HSO<sub>4</sub><sup>−</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2−</sup> may occur in the liquid phase and anhydrite and gypsum may precipitate as solid phases. For the quinary system, the following independent reactions should be considered



When the equilibrium of the whole system reached, for each reaction, we will have:

$$\Delta G_i = \sum_j v_{ij} \mu_{ij} = 0 \quad (15a)$$

where  $\mu_{ij}$  is the chemical potential, for aqueous species,

$$\mu_{ij} = \mu_{ij}^0 + RT \ln(m_j \gamma_j) \quad (15b)$$

for gas species,

$$\mu_{ij} = \mu_{ij}^0 + RT \ln(x_j P \phi_j) \quad (15c)$$

and  $i$  identifies the  $i$ th reaction;  $j$  identifies the  $j$ th species; is stoichiometric coefficient of species  $j$  in the reaction  $i$ .  $\mu_{ij}^0$  is standard chemical potential at the reference state which is defined in Duan and Li (2008) in detail. Here,  $m_j$  is the molality of species  $j$ .  $P$  is total vapor pressure.  $x_j$  is mole fraction of  $j$  in vapor phase.  $\gamma_j$  and  $\phi_j$  are the activity coefficient of species  $j$  in liquid phase and fugacity coefficient of species  $j$  in vapor phase, respectively.

The equilibrium constant can be defined as:

$$\ln K_i = - \frac{\sum v_{ij} \mu_{ij}^0}{RT} \quad (16)$$

From (15a), we find that,

$$\ln K_i = \sum \ln a_{ij} \quad (17)$$

$K_i$  is a function of temperature and pressure. From the definition of activity and fugacity,  $a_{ij}$  is a function of temperature, pressure and the molality of each species. For a given temperature, pressure and composition, when and only when the equilibrium of the system reaches, the Eq. (17) can be established. After the functions of equilibrium constants and the functions of activity and fugacity coefficients are determined, the Eq. (17) become nonlinear equations of molality of the species, which means the solving of

Table 1

The standard Gibbs free energy (cal/mol), entropy (cal/mol/K) and volume (cm<sup>3</sup>/mol) of anhydrite at 25 °C, 1 bar.\*

$G_0$	$S_0$	$V_0$
-315925.0	25.5	45.94

\* Helgeson et al. (1978).

Table 2

The parameters of the standard chemical potential of gypsum ( $\frac{\mu^0}{RT}$ ) as a function of temperature (K).

$a_1$	1.35486062d3
$a_2$	2.26877955d-1
$a_3$	-6.07006342d4
$a_4$	-2.27071423d2
$a_5$	0
$a_6$	0
$a_7$	0
$a_8$	0

the equations is to find out the concentration of species in the liquid and eventually the vapor phase at equilibrium.

## 2.2. The calculation of equilibrium constant or standard chemical potentials

Duan and Li (2008) has already described the calculation of the equilibrium of the reactions (1)–(10), and here we inherit the results. What we need to do is to find out the equilibrium constants or standard chemical potentials in reactions (11)–(14).

Greenberg and Møller (1989) and Møller (1988) evaluated the standard chemical potentials of anhydrite, gypsum and CaSO<sub>4(aq)</sub> with solubility data from 25 °C to 250 °C at vapor pressure assuming the chemical potentials of Ca<sup>2+</sup> and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> as 0. Here we need to make clear the chemical potentials of aqueous species Ca<sup>2+</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, CaSO<sub>4(aq)</sub> and

the two salts or the equilibrium constants of the above four reactions. Within the last several decades, many researchers have developed different methods to calculate the equilibrium constants (Ruaya, 1988; Mesmer et al., 1988; Anderson et al., 1991) or the chemical potentials of the species (Helgeson, 1969; Sverjensky et al., 1997). The HKF model, developed by Helgeson and his co-workers (Helgeson, 1969; Helgeson and Kirkham, 1976; Helgeson et al., 1981), permits calculation of standard partial molal thermodynamic properties of aqueous ions to 600 °C and 5 kb. Shock and Helgeson (1988), Shock et al. (1992), Sverjensky et al. (1997) and Tanger and Helgeson (1988) developed a more accurate model on the basis of the HKF model, called revised HKF model. With the revised HKF model, the standard thermodynamic properties of hundreds of aqueous species can be calculated.

Helgeson and co-workers developed a software package, SUPCRT92, which calculates the standard thermodynamic properties. Johnson et al. (1992) introduced the software and summarized the revised HKF model.

The apparent standard molal Gibbs free energy of the  $j$ th aqueous solute species can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{j,P,T}^0 - G_{j,P_r,T_r}^0 = & -S_{j,P_r,T_r}^0(T - T_r) - c_{1,j} \left[ T \ln \left( \frac{T}{T_r} \right) - T - T_r \right] \\
 & + a_{1,j}(P - P_r) + a_{2,j} \ln \left( \frac{\Psi + P}{\Psi + P_r} \right) \\
 & - c_{2,j} \left\{ \left[ \left( \frac{1}{T - \Theta} \right) - \left( \frac{1}{T_r - \Theta} \right) \right] \right. \\
 & \times \left[ \frac{\Theta - T}{\Theta} - \frac{T}{\Theta^2} \ln \left[ \frac{T_r(T - \Theta)}{T(T_r - \Theta)} \right] \right\} \\
 & + \left( \frac{1}{T - \Theta} \right) \left[ a_{3,j}(P - P_r) + a_{4,j} \ln \left( \frac{\Psi + P}{\Psi + P_r} \right) \right] \\
 & - \omega_j(Z + 1) + \omega_{j,P_r,T_r} Y_{P_r,T_r}(Z_{P_r,T_r} + 1) \\
 & + \omega_{j,P_r,T_r} Y_{P_r,T_r}(T - T_r)
 \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

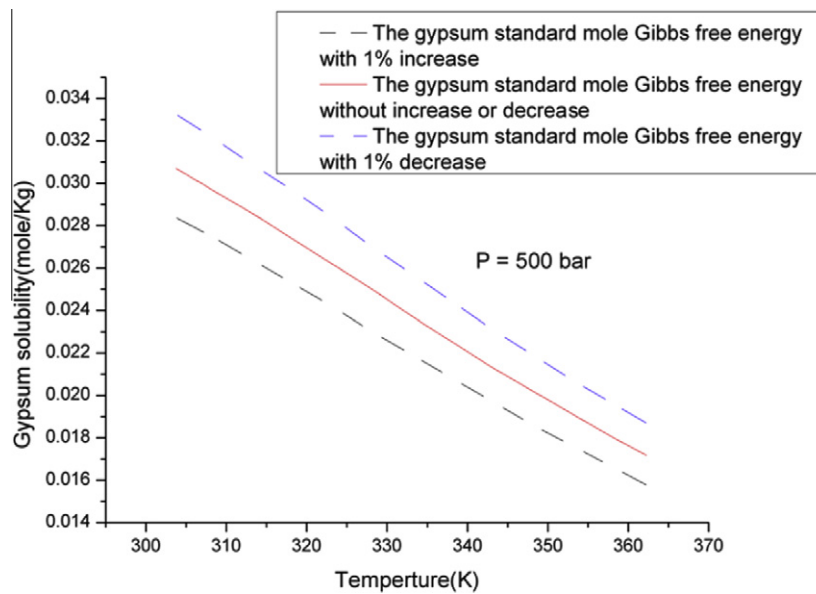


Fig. 1. Gypsum solubility calculated from standard Gibbs free energy, showing that 1% of change of standard free energy can cause 10% of variation in mineral solubility.

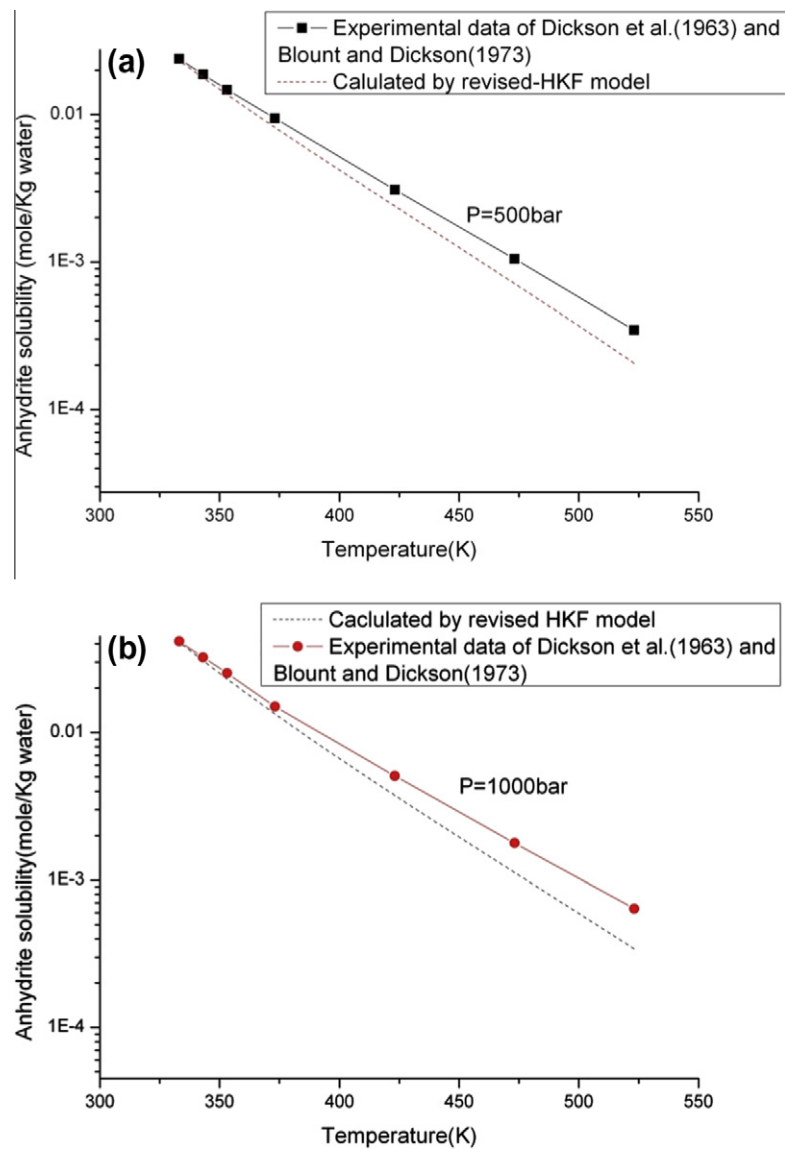


Fig. 2. A comparison of the calculated anhydrite solubility from the revised HKF model with experimental results.

Here,  $P_r, T_r$  stand for the reference pressure and temperature (1 bar and 25 °C here);  $S_{j,P_r,T_r}^0$  denotes standard molal entropy at reference state;  $\Theta$  and  $\Psi$  refer to solvent parameters equal to 228 K and 2600 bars, respectively;  $\omega_j$  is conventional Born coefficient of the species  $j$ ;  $Y$  and  $Z$  are

Table 3

The parameters of additional term of standard chemical potential of gypsum and anhydrite as a function of temperature (K) and pressure (bar).

	Gypsum	Anhydrite
$a_1$	−.959732931546D+03	0.685503896814D+04
$a_2$	−.138483395432D+01	0.554032946200D+01
$a_3$	0.272816804474D−03	0.341549716317D+01
$a_4$	0.285458724885D+01	0.833551833463D−02
$a_5$	0.375456113109D−02	−.141330606017D+04
$a_6$	−.403407381449D−06	−.139693530948D+01
$a_7$	−	0.953551522365D+05
$a_8$	−	−.100216355361D+03

solvent Born functions;  $a_{1...4,j}$  denote equation-of-state coefficients unique to the  $j$ th aqueous solute species.  $c_{1...2,j}$  stand for  $P/T$ -independent adjustable regression parameters unique to the  $j$ th aqueous solute species.

The apparent standard molal Gibbs free energy and enthalpy of formation of a mineral can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} G_{P,T}^0 - G_{P_r,T_r}^0 = & -S_{P_r,T_r}^0(T - T_r) \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^{1+\phi_T} a_i \left[ T_{i+1} - T_i - T_{i+1} \ln \left( \frac{T_i + 1}{T_i} \right) \right] \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^{1+\phi_T} \left\{ \frac{(-c_i - b_i T_{i+1} T_i^2)(T_{i+1} - T_i)^2}{2 T_{i+1} T_i^2} \right\} \\ & + V_{P_r,T}^0(P - P_r) - \sum_{i=1}^{\phi_P} \int_{P_i,T}^P \Delta V_{t_j}^0 dP \\ & - \sum_{i=1}^{\phi_T} \frac{\Delta H_{t_i}^0}{T_{t_i}} (T - T_{t_i}) \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Table 4

The Pitzer parameters for sulphate.

$\beta_{\text{Ca-SO}_4}^{(0)}$ $\beta_{\text{Ca-SO}_4}^{(1)}$ , $\beta_{\text{Ca-SO}_4}^{(2)}$ , $C_{\text{Ca-SO}_4}^\phi$ , $\beta_{\text{Na-SO}_4}^{(0)}$ , $\beta_{\text{Na-SO}_4}^{(1)}$ , $C_{\text{Ca-SO}_4}^\phi$	This study Møller (1988), Greenberg and Møller (1989)
$\beta_{\text{Ca-HSO}_4}^{(0)}$ , $\beta_{\text{Ca-HSO}_4}^{(1)}$ , $C_{\text{Ca-HSO}_4}^\phi$	Christov and Møller (2004b)
$\beta_{\text{Na-HSO}_4}^{(0)}$ , $\beta_{\text{Na-HSO}_4}^{(1)}$ , $C_{\text{Na-HSO}_4}^\phi$ , $\beta_{\text{H-SO}_4}^{(0)}$ , $\beta_{\text{H-SO}_4}^{(1)}$	Christov and Møller (2004a)
$C_{\text{H-SO}_4}^\phi$ , $\beta_{\text{H-SO}_4}^{(0)}$ , $\beta_{\text{H-SO}_4}^{(1)}$ , $C_{\text{H-SO}_4}^\phi$ $\theta_{\text{SO}_4-\text{OH}}$ , $\theta_{\text{SO}_4-\text{HSO}_4}$ , $\theta_{\text{HSO}_4-\text{Cl}}$ , $\theta_{\text{HSO}_4-\text{Ca}}$	Christov and Møller (2004a)
$\theta_{\text{SO}_4-\text{Cl}}$	Møller (1988)
$\Psi_{\text{Na,H,SO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Na,H,HSO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{H,SO}_4,\text{HSO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Na,SO}_4,\text{HSO}_4}$	Christov and Møller (2004a,b)
$\Psi_{\text{H,Cl,SO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{H,Cl,HSO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Na,Cl,HSO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Ca,H,SO}_4}$ $\Psi_{\text{Ca,HSO}_4,\text{SO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Ca,SO}_4,\text{OH}}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Ca,Cl,HSO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Na,Cl,HSO}_4}$ $\Psi_{\text{Ca,Cl,SO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Na,Cl,SO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Ca,Na,SO}_4}$ , $\Psi_{\text{Cl,SO}_4,\text{Ca}}$	Greenberg and Møller (1989), Møller (1988)
$\lambda_{\text{CO}_2-\text{SO}_4}$ , $\lambda_{\text{CO}_2-\text{HSO}_4}$	This study
$\lambda_{\text{CO}_2-\text{CaSO}_4}$	Set to 0

Table 5

The Pitzer parameter  $\beta_{\text{CaSO}_4}^{(0)}$  as function of temperature (K) and pressure (bar).

$a_1$	-.529591713285D+01
$a_2$	0.103294514294D-02
$a_3$	-.419956309165D-05
$a_4$	0.550380707079D-02
$a_5$	0.400012224741D-04
$a_6$	0.170762887873D-07
$a_7$	0.121302564389D+04
$a_8$	-.491824288014D+01

Here,  $\phi_T$  stands for the number of phase transitions from  $P_r$ ,  $T_r$  to  $P_r$ ,  $T$ ,  $\phi_P$  denotes the number of phase transitions from  $P_r$ ,  $T$  to  $P$ ,  $T$ ;  $\Delta V_{ij}^0$ ,  $\Delta H_{ij}^0$ , represents the change in standard molal volume and enthalpy associated with the  $j$ th of the total phase transitions, respectively;  $a_i, b_i, c_i$  are the parameters. In the SUPCRT92 database, the parameters,  $a_1, a_2, a_3, c_1, c_2, \omega_{j,P_r,T_r}, S_{j,P_r,T_r}^0, G_{P_r,T_r}^0$  and some other properties of hundreds of aqueous species and minerals are given.

In this work, the standard chemical potentials of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\text{CaSO}_4(\text{aq})$  and anhydrite are calculated based on the revised HKF model. The standard Gibbs free energy, entropy and volume of anhydrite are listed in Table 1. However, the parameters of gypsum are not available, and they must be evaluated in this study.

Møller (1988) gave a fitting equation of standard chemical potential of gypsum at vapor pressure from 25 °C to 110 °C, as a function of  $T$ :

$$\frac{\mu_M^0}{RT} = a_1 + a_2T + \frac{a_3}{T} + a_4 \ln T + \frac{a_5}{T-263} + a_6T^2 + \frac{a_7}{680-T} + \frac{a_8}{T-227} \quad (20)$$

where,  $a_1$ – $a_8$  are parameters as listed in Table 2. In the model of Møller (1988), the standard chemical potentials of the ionic species  $\text{OH}^-$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  were set equal to zero, and the temperature dependent standard chemical potential  $\mu_{\text{M,H}_2\text{O}}^0$  established by Busey and Mesmer (1978) was applied. The subscript M of  $\mu_M^0$  and  $\mu_{\text{M,H}_2\text{O}}^0$  stands for the Møller standard. Therefore, in this work, the chemical potential of gypsum should be  $\mu^0(T) = \mu_M^0(T) + \mu_{\text{Ca}^{2+}}^0 + \mu_{\text{SO}_4^{2-}}^0$ , and the chemical potential of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  should be  $\mu_{\text{M,H}_2\text{O}}^0 = \mu_{\text{M,H}_2\text{O}}^0 + \mu_{\text{OH}^-}^0$ .

In thermodynamics, we have

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mu^0}{\partial P}\right)_T = \bar{V}^0 \quad (21)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \bar{V}^0}{\partial P}\right) = -\bar{\kappa}^0 \quad (22)$$

where  $\bar{V}^0$  is the partial molar volumes, and  $\bar{\kappa}^0$  is the standard partial molar compressibility. Now we can get the second approximation about pressure of the standard chemical potential of gypsum.

$$\mu^0(T, P) = \mu^0(T, P_s) + \bar{V}^0(P - P_s) - 0.5\bar{\kappa}^0(P - P_s)^2 \quad (23)$$

Here,  $P_s$  is 1 bar below 100 °C, and is vapor pressure above 100 °C. Millero (1982) analyzed the effect of pressure on the solubility of minerals in water and seawater based on experimental partial molal volume and compressibility of different aqueous species and minerals. Millero (1982) gave an empirical relation  $\bar{V}^0$  and  $\bar{\kappa}^0$  of minerals,

$$\bar{\kappa}^0 = \bar{V}^0 \beta_s \quad (24)$$

From Fig. 2 in Millero (1982),  $\beta_s$  for gypsum can be estimated at  $2.13 \times 10^{-6}$ .  $\beta_s$  is so small that the third term of the right hand side in Eq. (23) can be ignored.

The accuracy of equilibrium constant is very important for the calculation of the mineral solubility. One percent of difference may make a difference of ten percent in salt solubility. From Fig. 1, we can find that at 500 bar with 1% increase or decrease of equilibrium constant, there will be 10% decrease or increase in the gypsum solubility. As we know, the solubility of gypsum or anhydrite in water is very small, and the saturate solution is nearly ideal, so there is little effect on adjusting activity coefficient parameters. The standard mole Gibbs free energy calculated using Eqs. (18)–(20), (23) is not accurate enough to describe the solubility of gypsum and anhydrite, even though there is only a few percent of uncertainty. Fig. 2 shows that as temperature increases, there will be an increasing error of anhydrite solubility if calculated with the revised HKF model without any additional revision.

Here, we make an adjustment on the salt standard Gibbs free energy. Set the standard Gibbs free energy of anhydrite,  $\mu_{\text{anh}}^{(0)} = \mu_{\text{anh}}^{0*} + \epsilon$ , where  $\mu_{\text{anh}}^{0*}$  is the standard Gibbs free

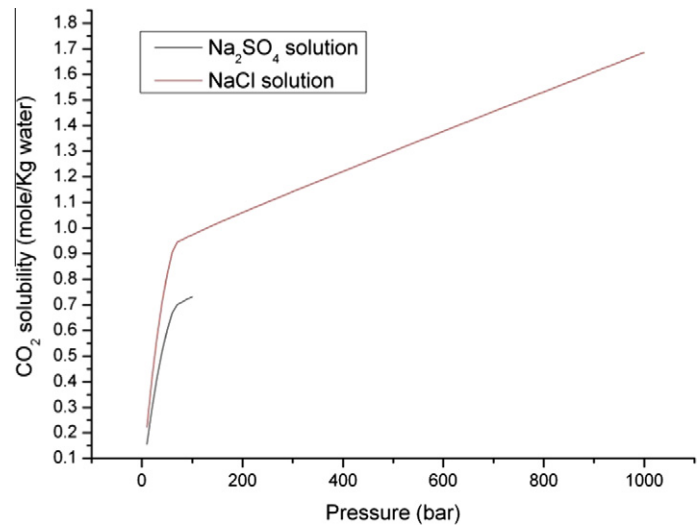


Fig. 3. Comparison of CO<sub>2</sub> solubility in NaCl solution and Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> solution under pressures blow 100 bar at temperature 298.15 K.

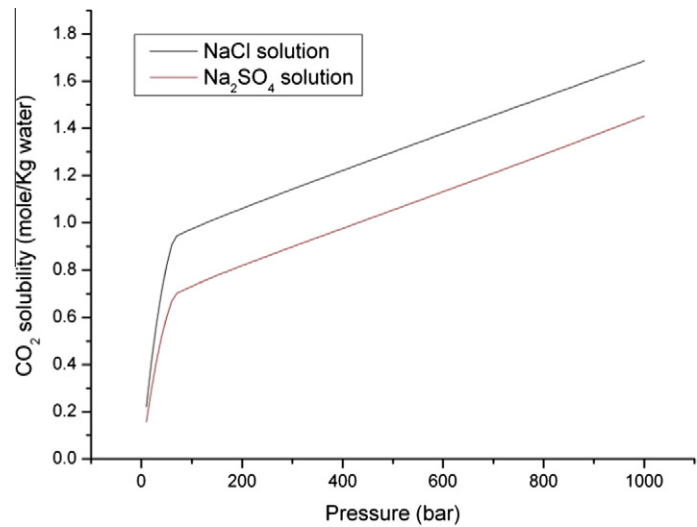


Fig. 4. CO<sub>2</sub> solubility in NaCl solution and estimated CO<sub>2</sub> solubility in Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> solution under pressures from 1 to 1000 bar at 298.15 K.

Table 6  
The neutral-ion parameters of CO<sub>2</sub>.

	$2\lambda_{\text{CO}_2-\text{Na}} + 2\lambda_{\text{CO}_2-\text{SO}_4}$
$a_1$	-.129486118638D+00
$a_2$	0.815387805594D-04
$a_3$	0.158499586915D+03
$a_4$	-.887125993018D-01
$a_5$	0.614784284629D-01
$a_6$	-.159049335240D-04

The fitting equation is: Parameter  $(T, P) = a_1 + a_2T + \frac{a_3}{T} + \frac{a_4P}{T} + \frac{a_5P}{630-T} + a_6T \ln P$ .  
Note: In this study, we set  $\lambda_{\text{CO}_2-\text{SO}_4} = 2\lambda_{\text{CO}_2-\text{HSO}_4}$ .

energy calculated above for anhydrite,  $\varepsilon$  is the adjusted value, which is a function of temperature and pressure and

can be fitted using the experimental solubility data of Dickson and co-workers (1963; Blount and Dickson, 1969; Blount and Dickson, 1973). The fitting equation is as follows:

$$\varepsilon(T, P) = a_1 + a_2P + a_3T + a_4PT + a_5 \log(T) + a_6P \log(T) + \frac{a_7}{647.0 - T} + \frac{a_8P}{647.0 - T} \quad (25)$$

$a_1 - a_8$  are parameters, and the  $TP$  range is 25–250 °C, 1–1000 bar.

Gypsum standard chemical potential is treated in the same way, but the fitting equation is as following:

$$\varepsilon'(T, P) + a_1 + a_2P + a_3P^2 + a_4T + a_5TP + a_6TP^2 \quad (26)$$

The  $TP$  range is 25–100 °C, 1–1000 bar.  
The values of the parameters are given in Table 3.

The parameters of  $\text{HSO}_4^-$  are obtained from SUPCRT92 database. The equilibrium constant of the reaction (11) can also be calculated by the revised HKF model.

### 2.3. Calculation of activities of species in aqueous solution (liquid phase)

As discussed above, equilibrium constants can be used to calculate speciation equilibrium in ideal solution. How-

ever, as the concentration of aqueous species increases, the solution departs away from ideal states. The non-ideal properties can be expressed by activity coefficient for aqueous species, fugacity coefficient for vapor species and osmotic coefficient for  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

Since 1973, Pitzer and co-workers established a specific interaction model which can estimate the activity coefficients of aqueous species and osmotic coefficient of water in solutions up to high concentrations (Pitzer, 1973; Pitzer

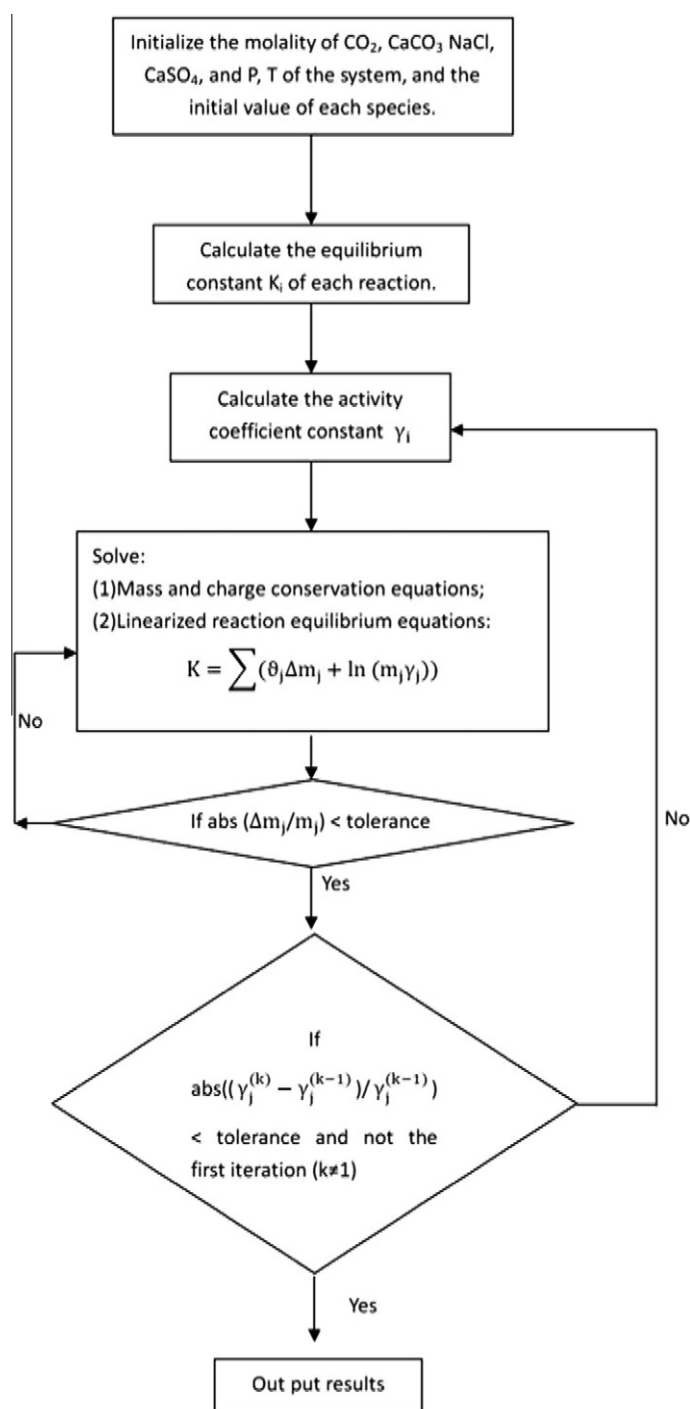


Fig. 5. The flow chart of the algorithm for the equilibrium calculation.

and Mayorga, 1973; Pitzer and Kim, 1974). Within the last forty years, many researchers used this model to calculate activity coefficient within wide temperature and pressure

variation in high concentrated electrolytic solutions successfully (Harvie and Weare, 1980; Harvie et al., 1984; Møller, 1988; Christov and Møller, 2004a,b; Li and Duan,

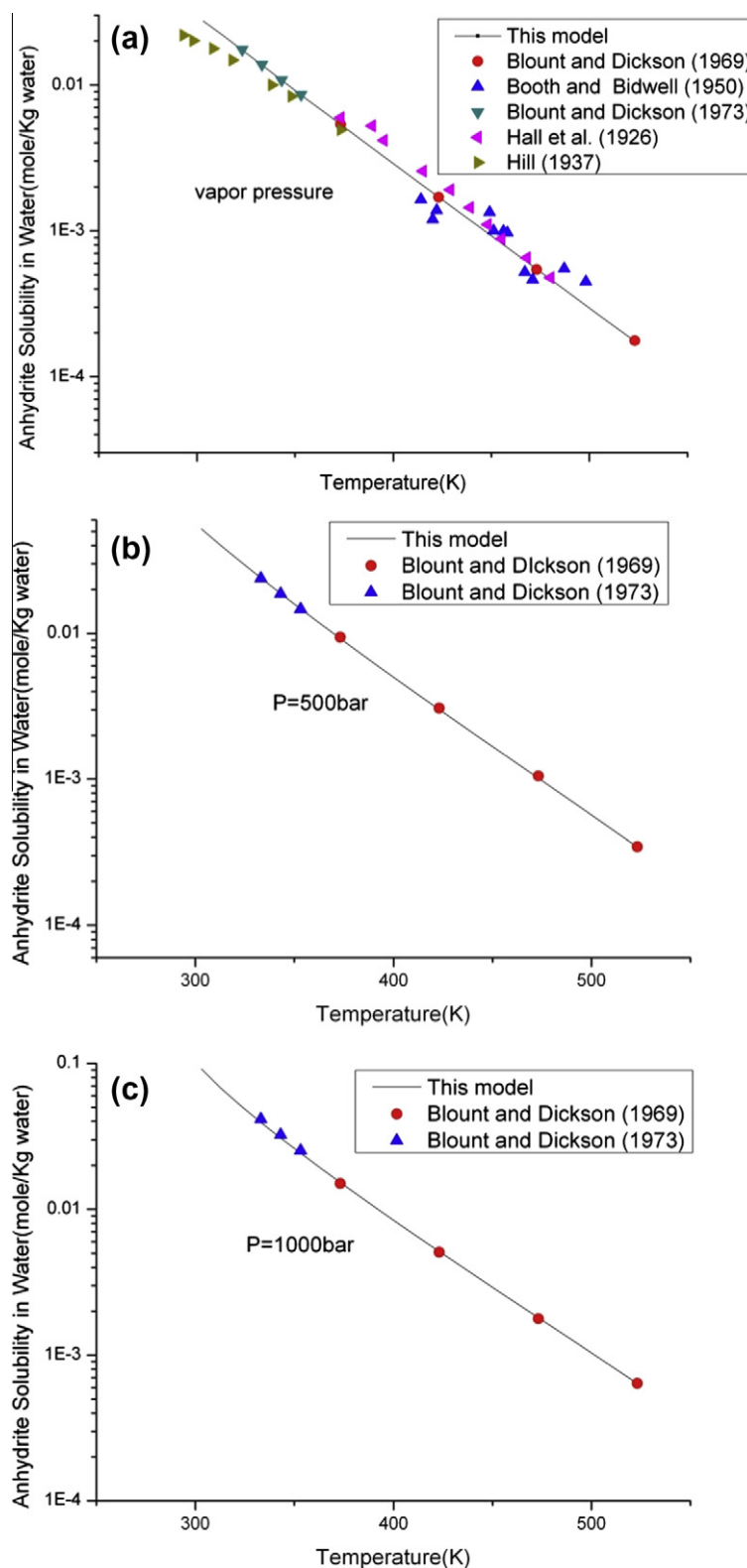


Fig. 6. A comparison of the calculated anhydrite solubility in water from the model with the experimental data.

2007; Duan and Li, 2008). Here, we also use Pitzer model to calculate the activity coefficients and osmotic coefficient. The formulas of Pitzer model are list in the appendix.

The Pitzer parameters for the system  $\text{H}_2\text{O--CO}_2\text{--NaCl--CaCO}_3$  have been given in the study of Duan and Li (2008). In this study, we need to determine the sulfate

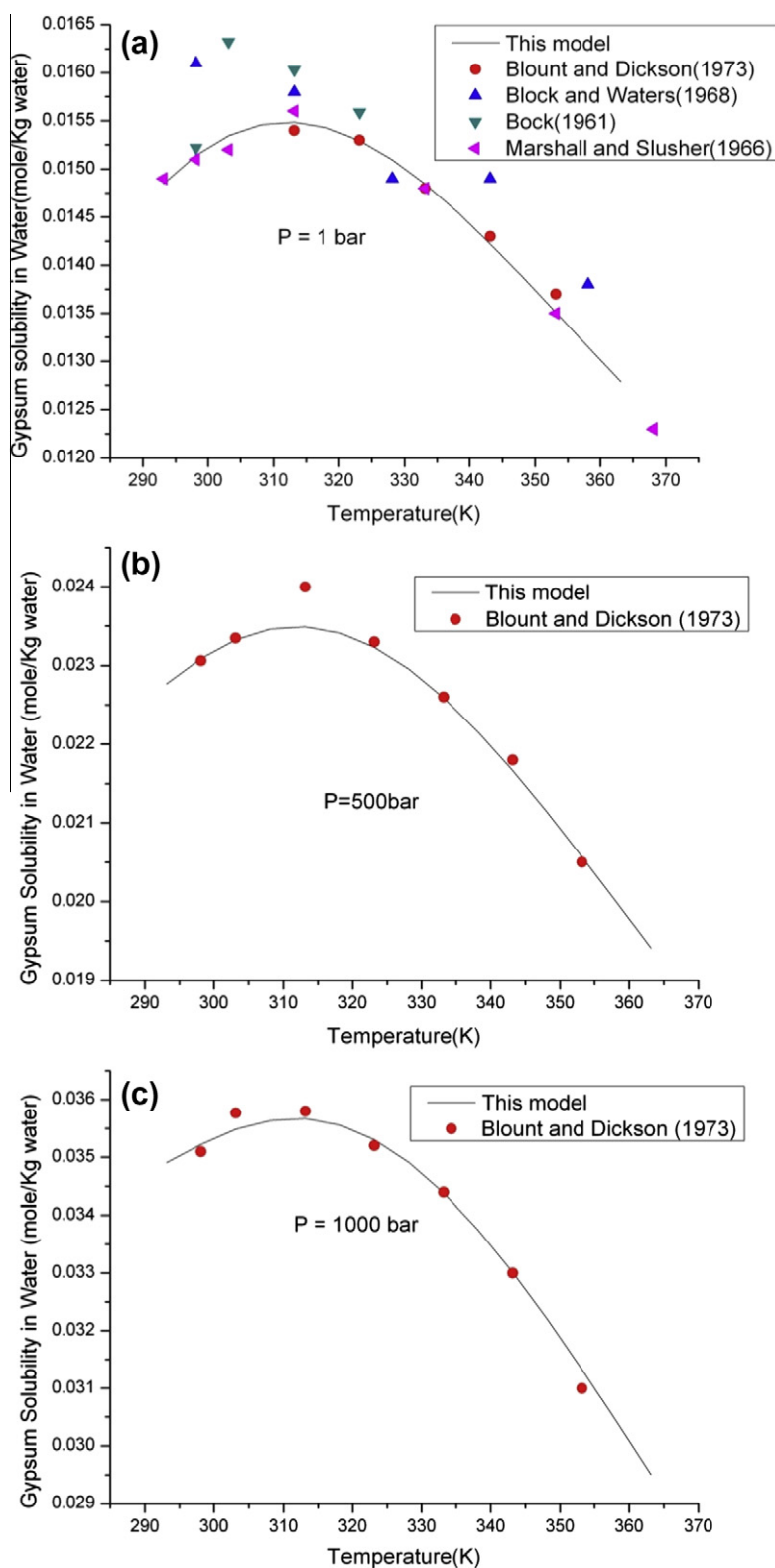


Fig. 7. A comparison of calculated gypsum solubility in water from the model with the experimental data.

related Pitzer parameters (Table 4). Firstly, we determine the virial coefficients of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\beta_{\text{CaSO}_4}^{(0)}$  from the gypsum and anhydrite solubility data in water and solution (Blount and Dickson, 1969, 1973), with the fitting equation as follows:

$$\beta^{(0)} = a_1 + a_2P + a_3P^2 + a_4T + a_5TP + a_6TP^2 + \frac{a_7}{647.0 - T} + \frac{a_8P}{647.0 - T} \quad (27)$$

Table 5 shows the value of the parameters in Eq. (27).

$\beta_{\text{CaSO}_4}^{(1)}$ ,  $\beta_{\text{CaSO}_4}^{(2)}$ , and  $C_{\text{CaSO}_4}^\phi$  were determined by Møller (1988) and Greenberg and Møller (1989), and we adapted them here.  $\beta_{\text{CaSO}_4}^{(1)}$  has the constant value 3.0.  $\beta_{\text{CaSO}_4}^{(2)}$  equals  $-129.399287 + 0.400431027T$ .  $C_{\text{CaSO}_4}^\phi$  is set to be zero.

The parameters  $\beta_{\text{Ca,Cl}}^{(0)}$ ,  $\beta_{\text{Ca,Cl}}^{(1)}$ ,  $\beta_{\text{Na,SO}_4}^{(0)}$ ,  $\beta_{\text{Na,SO}_4}^{(1)}$ ,  $C_{\text{Na,SO}_4}^\phi$ ,  $\theta_{\text{Cl,SO}_4}$ ,  $\theta_{\text{Na,Ca}}$ ,  $\Psi_{\text{Cl,SO}_4,\text{Na}}$ ,  $\Psi_{\text{Cl,SO}_4,\text{Ca}}$ ,  $\Psi_{\text{Ca,Cl,SO}_4}$ ,  $\Psi_{\text{Na,Ca,Cl}}$  and

$\Psi_{\text{Na,Ca,SO}_4}$  are adapted from Møller (1988), and the parameter  $C_{\text{Ca,Cl}}^\phi$  is adapted from Greenberg and Møller (1989).

The Pitzer parameters of  $\text{CO}_2$  interaction with other species should also be evaluated. Experimental data of  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility in  $\text{CaSO}_4$  solution is scarce, so we have to evaluate the Pitzer parameters in an indirect way. Bermejo et al. (2005) studied the influence of  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  on the  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility in water experimentally up to 100 °C, and more than 140 bars. Rumpf and Maurer (1993) measured the solubility of  $\text{CO}_2$  in aqueous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  solutions (1 and 2 mole  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4/\text{Kg}$  water) in temperature range from 313 to 433 K and pressure up to 100 bars. The pressure of the data is not high enough for the modeling. As we know, the variation of  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility in salt solution of different kinds with temperature and pressure has similarity to some extent as we have proved previously (Duan and Sun, 2003). So, we consider that at a given temperature the solubility variation of

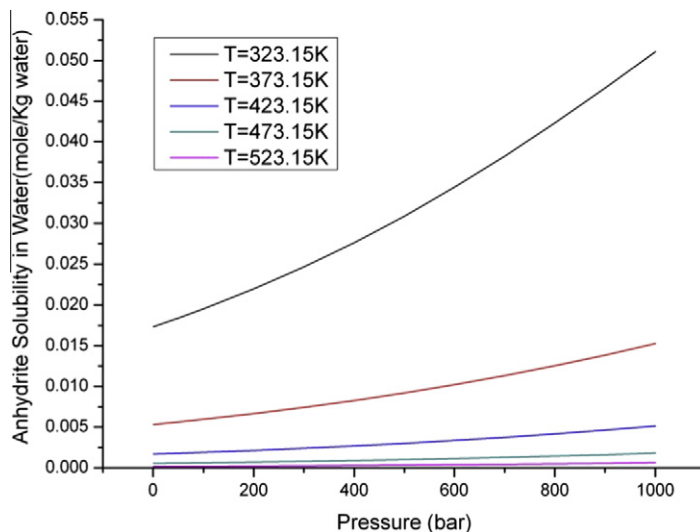


Fig. 8. Anhydrite solubility varying with pressure at different temperatures.

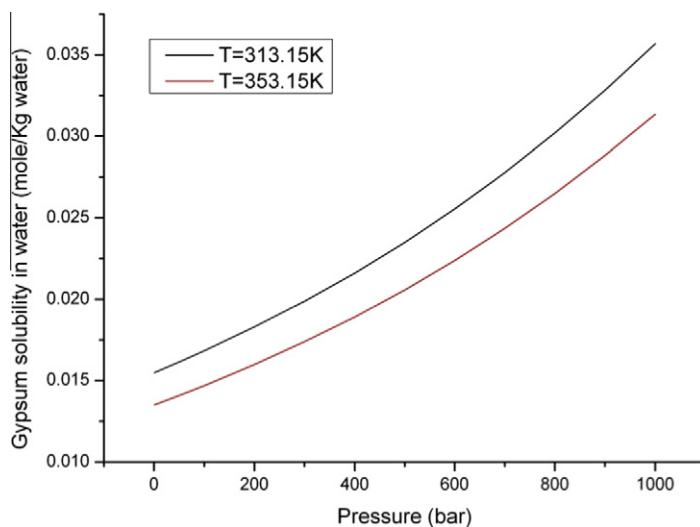


Fig. 9. Gypsum solubility varying with pressure at different temperatures.

$\text{CO}_2$  in  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  solution with pressure has the similar curve shape of the  $\text{NaCl}$  solution (Fig. 3). At temperature 298.15 K and  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = m_{\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4} = 1 \text{ m}$ , either in  $\text{NaCl}$

solution or in  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  solution, the  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility increases quickly before 71 bar and then level off. We assume that the slope of  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility variation in  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  solution above

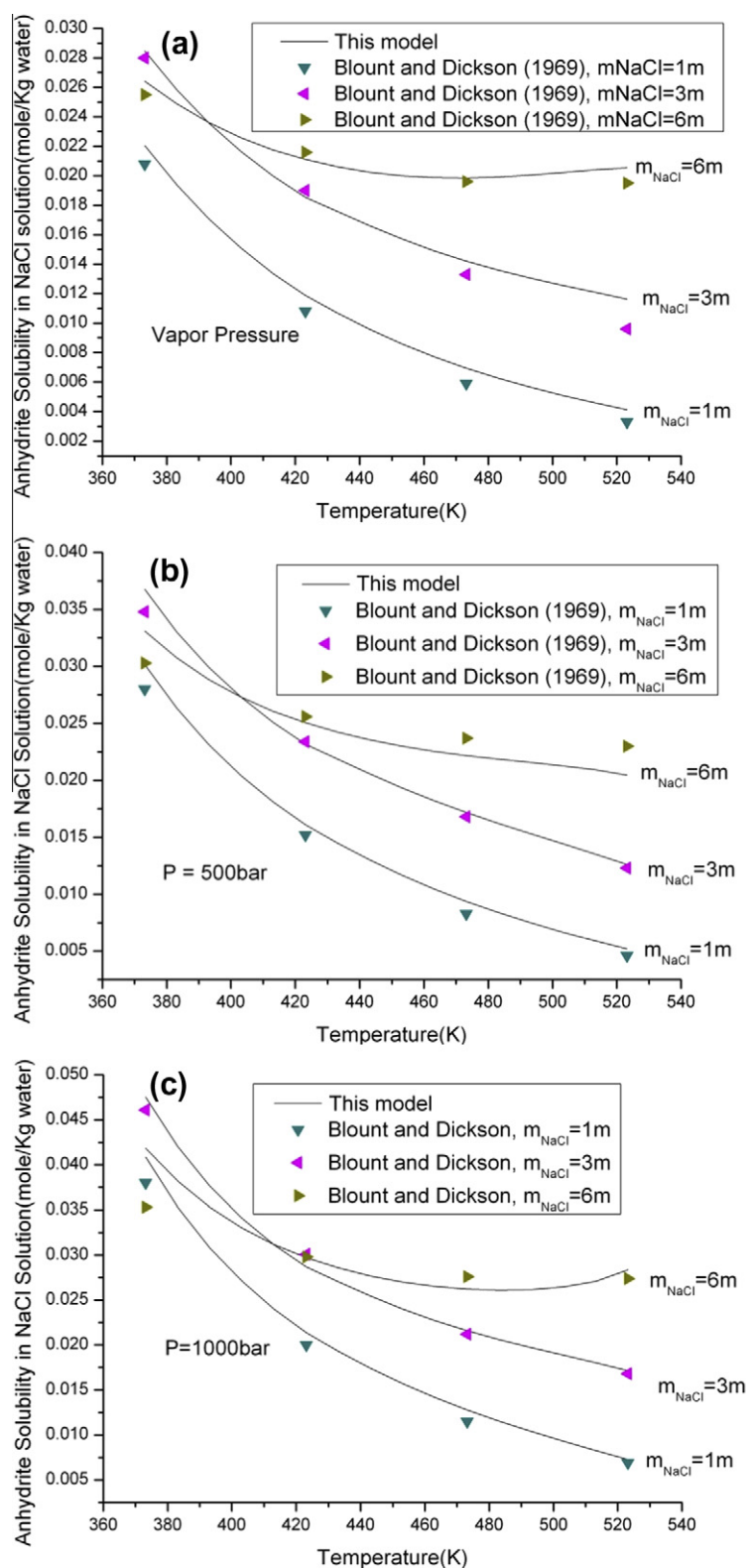


Fig. 10. Comparison of the calculated anhydrite solubility in  $\text{NaCl}$  solution with experimental data (Blount and Dickson, 1969).

71 bar is the same with the slope NaCl in solution. In this way, the solubility data can be expanded. See Fig. 4. We expand the data for other temperatures ( $T = 323.15$  K, 373.15 K, 423.15 K).

With the experimental data and the expanded data, the Pitzer parameter  $2\lambda_{\text{CO}_2\text{--Na}} + \lambda_{\text{CO}_2\text{--SO}_4}$  is evaluated. The solubility can be calculated with the accuracy within 5%. The results are listed in Table 6. Duan and Sun (2003) evaluated the Pitzer parameter  $\lambda_{\text{CO}_2\text{--Na}}$  using the solubility data, and can predict the  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility precisely in NaCl solution to high ionic strength. So the Pitzer parameter  $\lambda_{\text{CO}_2\text{--SO}_4}$  can be calculated.

#### 2.4. Algorithm description

All the phase and speciation equilibrium in the system  $\text{H}_2\text{O--CO}_2\text{--NaCl--CaCO}_3\text{--CaSO}_4$  can be represented by reactions (1)–(14). When the system reaches equilibrium, the equations (15) and (17) must be satisfied. Once the standard chemical potentials or equilibrium constants and the related Pitzer parameters are evaluated at a given temperature and pressure, the phases and concentrations of the species in each phase can be obtained by solving these non-linear equations. For details, see Fig. 5.

### 3. THE PREDICTION OF VARIOUS PROPERTIES USING THE MODEL

After the model is established, the phase and speciation equilibrium can be calculated easily at a given temperature and pressure. In other words, we can find what phase occurs and in each fluid phase what species exists and how much. Therefore, the model can be used to calculate  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility in  $\text{H}_2\text{O--NaCl--CaCO}_3\text{--CaSO}_4$  solution, the solubility of anhydrite, gypsum, calcite, halite, alkalinity, pH value as a function of temperature, pressure and salinity.

#### 3.1. The solubility of the minerals

As we introduced above, there are four kinds of salts (halite, calcite, gypsum and anhydrite) are included in the system under the  $T - P$  conditions considered, and the solubility of the salts in water or in  $\text{H}_2\text{O--CO}_2\text{--NaCl--CaCO}_3\text{--CaSO}_4$  solutions can be predicted.

##### 3.1.1. Anhydrite and gypsum solubility

Many researchers reported the calcium sulphate mineral (anhydrite and gypsum) solubility at 100 °C and below at 1 bar in last century (Hulett and Allen, 1902; Melcher, 1910; Hill, 1937; Posnjak, 1938; Madgin and Swales, 1956; Bock, 1961; Denman, 1961; Power and Fabuss, 1964; Zen, 1965; Power et al., 1966). Some studies were carried out for temperatures above 100 °C and at saturation pressure of the solution (Melcher, 1910; Hall et al., 1926; Partridge and White, 1929; Straub, 1932; Booth and Bidwell, 1950; Power and Fabuss, 1964; Marshall et al., 1964). Some measurements were done under supercritical conditions by Morey and Hesselgesser (1951) and Styrikovich and Khokhlov (1957). Dickson et al. (1963) did a systematic study of anhydrite solubility in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at pressures above the vapor pressure of the solutions.

Many researchers measured the gypsum and anhydrite solubilities in the  $\text{CaSO}_4\text{--NaCl--H}_2\text{O}$  system at 25–200 °C, and at 1 bar or the saturation pressure with NaCl up to halite saturation. Bock (1961), D'Ans et al. (1955), Madgin and Swales (1956), Marshall and Slusher (1966), Power and Fabuss (1964) and Power et al. (1966) did the experiment at 100 °C and 1.01325 bar. Marshall et al. (1964) studied the  $\text{CaSO}_4\text{--NaCl--H}_2\text{O}$  system at temperatures from 40 to 200 °C, 0–4 m NaCl molality. Hardie (1967) and Zen (1965) studied the reliability of anhydrite solubility measurements below 70 °C. Blount and Dickson (1969) did an extensive experimental study of  $\text{CaSO}_4\text{--NaCl--H}_2\text{O}$  system from 100 °C to 450 °C and 1–1000 bar, with NaCl molality up to more than 6 m.

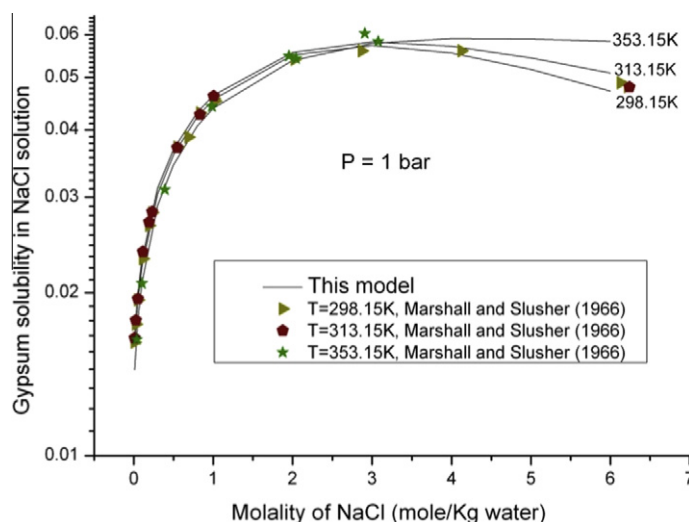


Fig. 11. Comparison of the calculated gypsum solubility in NaCl solution with experimental data (Marshall and Slusher, 1966).

Blount and Dickson (1973) extensively analyzed the experimental solubility data of gypsum and anhydrite in water and in NaCl solutions. They used the data given by

Dickson and co-workers to study four-phase equilibrium, anhydrite, gypsum, saturated solution, and vapor. They gave the four phase invariant point which was thought to

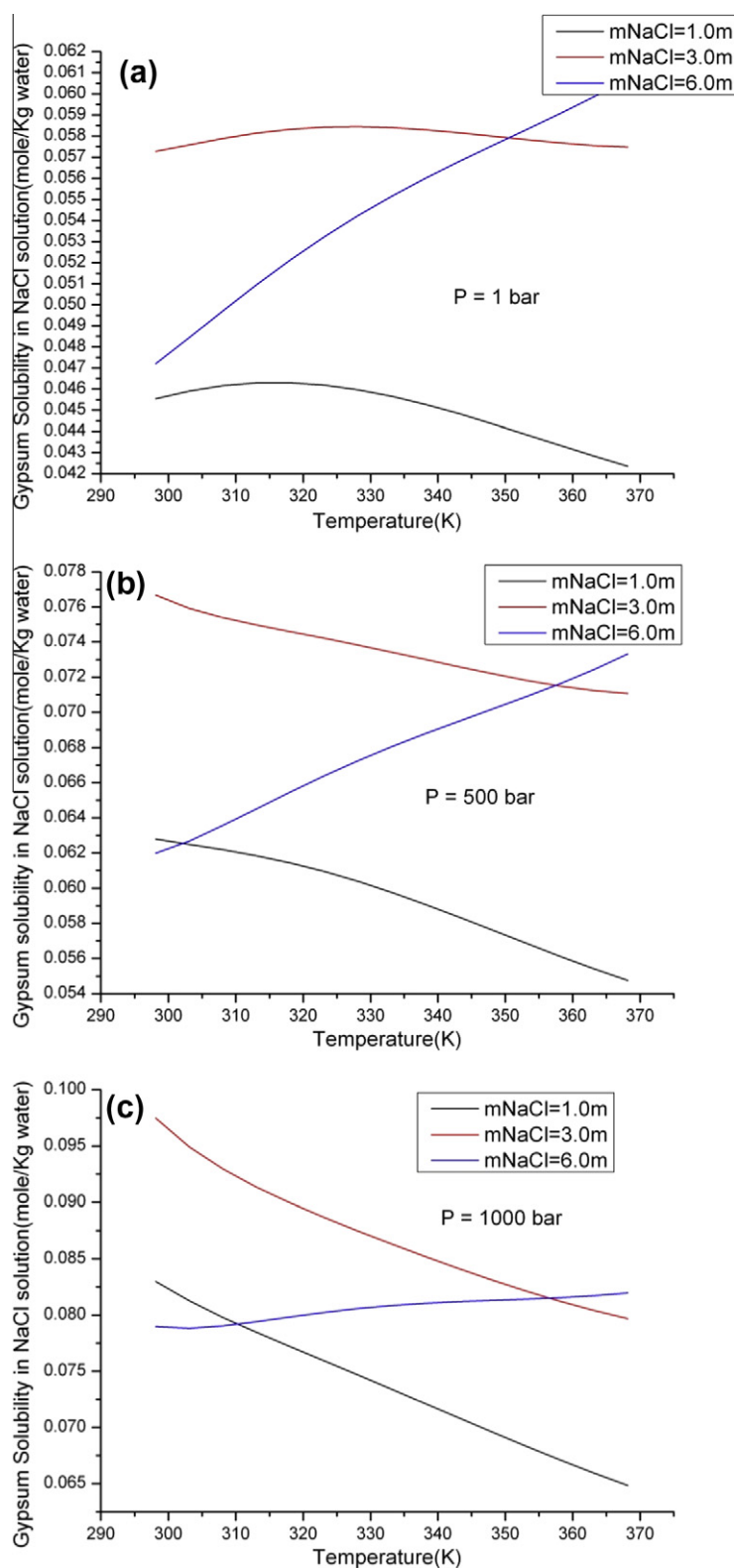


Fig. 12. Calculated gypsum solubility in NaCl solutions as a function of temperature, pressure and NaCl molality.

be the most reliable and acceptable. Zambak and Arthur (1986) pointed out that Blount and Dickson's experiments had been carried out reversibly and been repeatable. In this work, Dickson and co-workers' data are adopted for the evaluation of the parameters in the model.

With the model in this work, we can calculate anhydrite and gypsum solubility in water. From Figs. 6 and

7, we can find that the calculated anhydrite and gypsum solubility are compatible with the experimental data. For anhydrite, the solubility decreases with the increase of temperature at a given pressure. For gypsum, the solubility first increases and then decreases with temperature at a given pressure, and the turning point is in a neighborhood of 40 °C. From Figs. 8 and 9, we can see that increasing

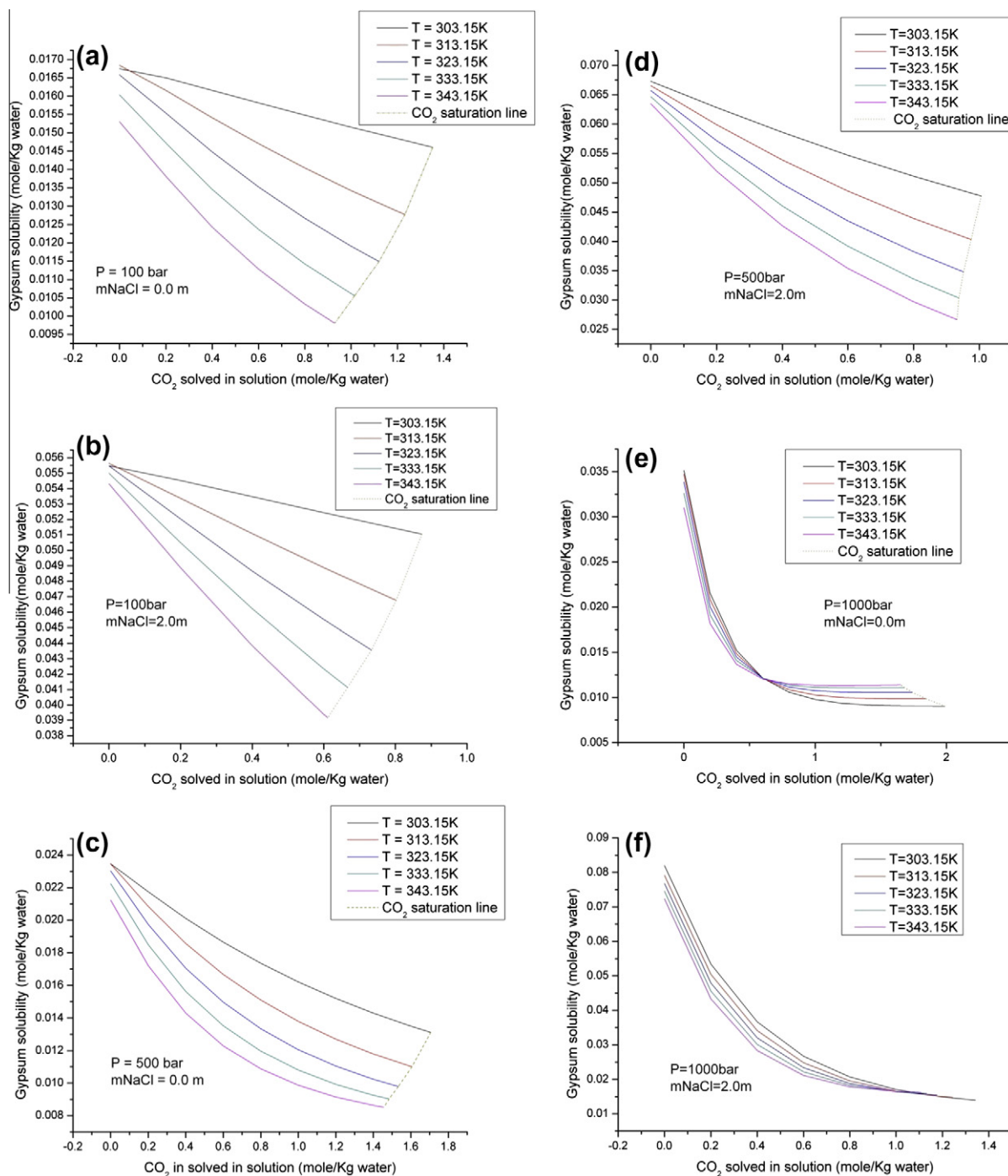


Fig. 13. Gypsum solubility varying with CO<sub>2</sub> molality. (a)  $P = 100$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}}$  (NaCl molality) = 0; (b)  $P = 100$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$  m; (c)  $P = 500$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 0$ ; (d)  $P = 500$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$  m; (e)  $P = 1000$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 0$ ; (f)  $P = 1000$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$  m.

pressure can substantially increase the solubility of both anhydrite and gypsum.

This model can also predict the anhydrite and gypsum solubility in NaCl solutions up to NaCl concentration

reaching halite saturation without fitting the experimental data when the model is constructed. Compared with experimental data (Blount and Dickson, 1973), the model predicts anhydrite solubility within the 10% of deviation. The

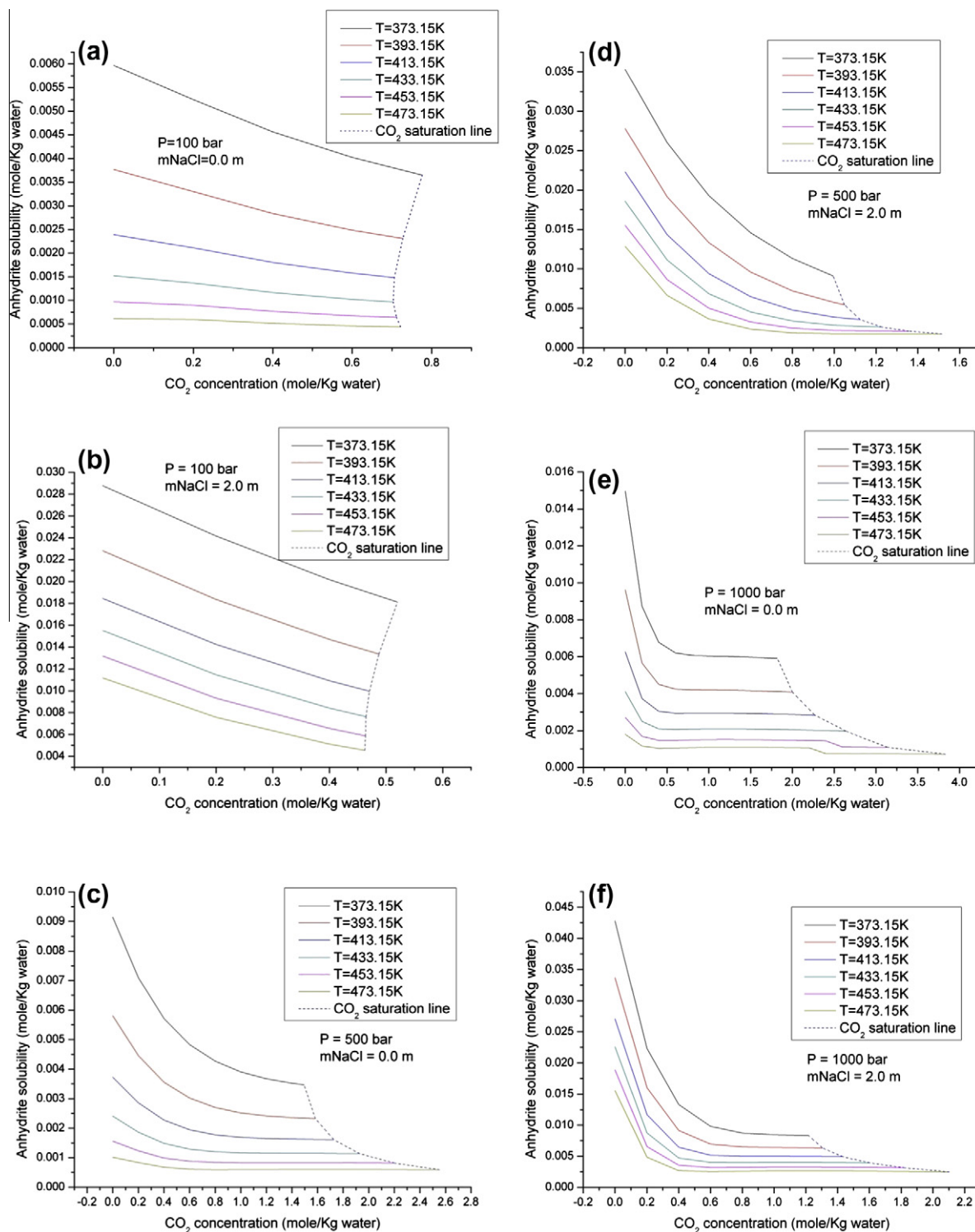


Fig. 14. Anhydrite solubility varying with  $\text{CO}_2$  molality. (a)  $P = 100$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}}$  (NaCl molality) = 0; (b)  $P = 100$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$  m; (c)  $P = 500$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 0$ ; (d)  $P = 500$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$  m; (e)  $P = 1000$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 0$ ; (f)  $P = 1000$  bar,  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$  m.

reliability of the model can be validated from the comparison of the model calculation with the experimental data as shown in Fig. 10. It can be concluded that the increase of NaCl molality may decrease the solubility of anhydrite at lower temperature and increase the solubility at higher temperature. For gypsum, we only have experimental data at 1 bar pressure. Compared with the limited experimental data, we can see that the model is generally within 10% of experimental data (Fig. 11). The addition of NaCl increases the solubility of gypsum up to about 3 m of NaCl, after that the solubility decreases slightly with the addition of NaCl. From Fig. 12a–c, the gypsum solubility variations with temperature are different for different NaCl molalities. From these figures, we can see the model accurately predicts the mineral solubility with remarkable predictability,

considering the solubility data were not used in the parameterization.

So far, we have not found any experimental data on the gypsum or anhydrite solubility in  $\text{CO}_2$  dissolved solutions. With the equilibrium model of  $\text{CO}_2$ –NaCl– $\text{CaCO}_3$ – $\text{CaSO}_4$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  system established, we can calculate the solubility of the two salts in the solution with  $\text{CO}_2$  dissolved in it. Fig. 13 shows the gypsum solubility in  $\text{CO}_2$  aqueous solution with  $\text{CO}_2$  concentration from 0 to saturation. From the calculated results, we can see that gypsum solubility decreases with the increasing of  $\text{CO}_2$  concentration at the different pressures. Fig. 14 shows the anhydrite solubility in  $\text{CO}_2$  aqueous solution with  $\text{CO}_2$  concentration from 0 to saturation. Like gypsum, the addition of  $\text{CO}_2$  to the solution decreases the anhydrite solubility either in water or

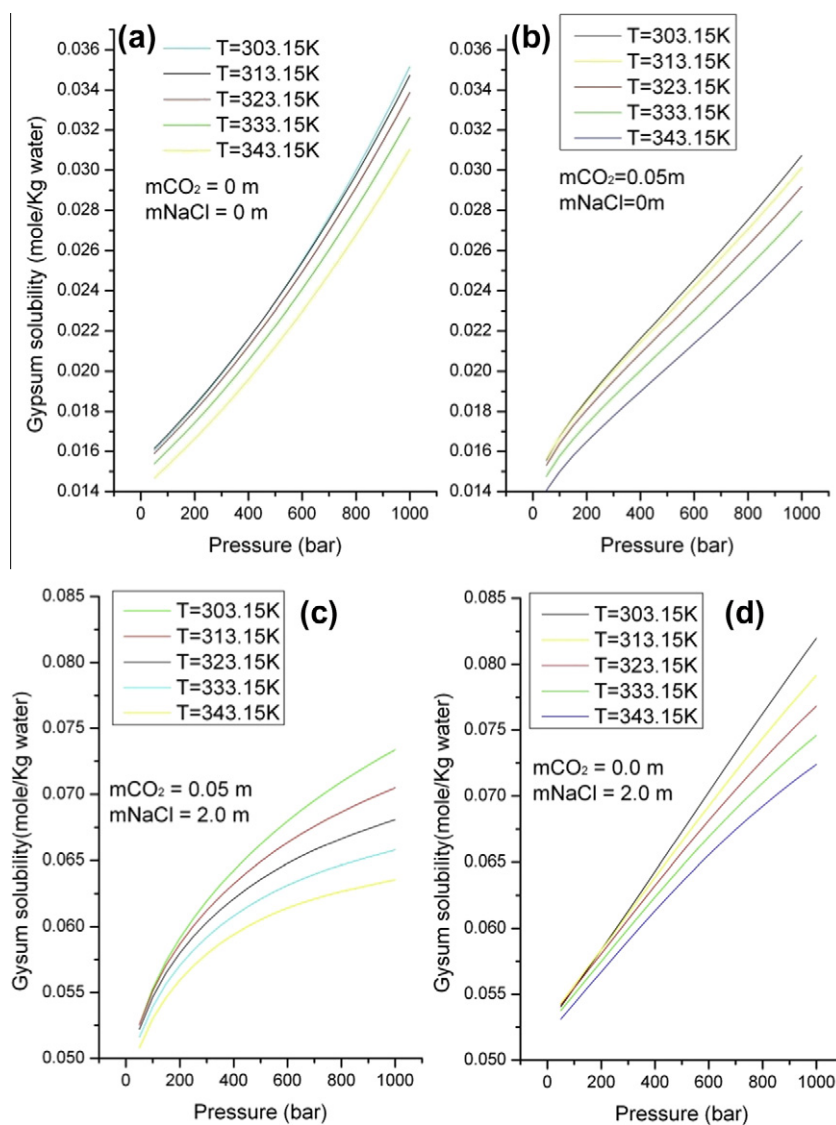


Fig. 15. Gypsum solubility varying with pressure in NaCl solution with  $\text{CO}_2$  solved in it; (a)  $m_{\text{NaCl}}$  (the NaCl molality) = 0,  $m_{\text{CO}_2}$  (the  $\text{CO}_2$  molality) = 0; (b)  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 0$ ,  $m_{\text{CO}_2} = 0.05$  m; (c)  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$ ,  $m_{\text{CO}_2} = 0.05$  m; (d)  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$ ,  $m_{\text{CO}_2} = 0$ .

NaCl solution. From Fig. 15, we can find that without  $\text{CO}_2$  and NaCl in the solution, the gypsum solubility increases with pressure nearly linearly; when adding  $\text{CO}_2$  and NaCl solved in the solution, the slope become smaller and even much smaller at higher pressures. The similar results can also be found for anhydrite. See Fig. 16.

### 3.1.2. Halite and calcite solubility

Halite and calcite solubility can be calculated from this model which can totally reproduce the results of its subsystem model (Duan and Li, 2008). When the component  $\text{CaSO}_4$  are added in the solution, the solubilities of halite

and calcite will change to some extent. Fig. 17 shows the comparison of halite solubility in water and in aqueous solution saturated with gypsum or anhydrite under different temperatures and pressures. In aqueous solution saturated with gypsum, halite solubility decreases by about 1% but halite solubility changes little if anhydrite is saturated because the anhydrite solubility in water is much lower than the solubility of halite in the  $T - P$  range studied.

Fig. 18 shows the effect of the dissolution of anhydrite and gypsum on the calcite solubility. We can see that the calcite solubility in gypsum or anhydrite saturated solution is substantially reduced as compared with the solubility in

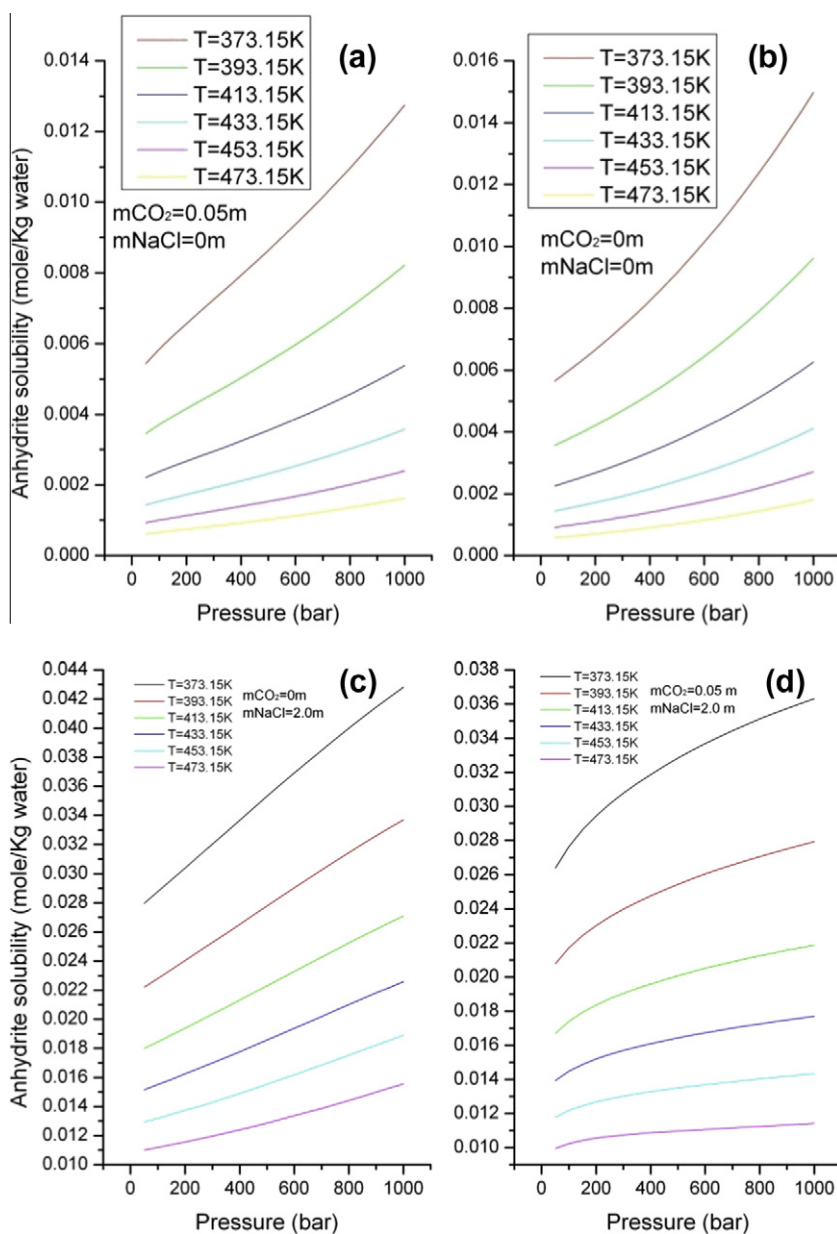


Fig. 16. Anhydrite solubility varying with pressure in NaCl solutions with  $\text{CO}_2$  dissolved in it; (a)  $m_{\text{NaCl}}$  (the NaCl molality) = 0,  $m_{\text{CO}_2}$  (the  $\text{CO}_2$  molality) = 0.05 m; (b)  $m_{\text{NaCl}}$  = 0,  $m_{\text{CO}_2}$  = 0; (c)  $m_{\text{NaCl}}$  = 2.0 m,  $m_{\text{CO}_2}$  = 0; (d)  $m_{\text{NaCl}}$  = 2.0 m,  $m_{\text{CO}_2}$  = 0.05 m.

pure water. Compared with calcite, the solubility of gypsum and anhydrite is large, so the molality of the cation  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  is large. From Eqs. (17) and (10), we have  $K_{10} = \frac{m_{\text{Ca}^{2+}} + \gamma_{\text{Ca}^{2+}} m_{\text{CO}_3^{2-}} - \gamma_{\text{CO}_3^{2-}}}{a_{\text{CaCO}_3}}$ . For  $a_{\text{CaCO}_3} = 1$ ,  $K_{10} = m_{\text{Ca}^{2+}} \gamma_{\text{Ca}^{2+}} m_{\text{CO}_3^{2-}} - \gamma_{\text{CO}_3^{2-}}$ .

At given temperature and pressure, is a constant, so when the molality of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  is large, the molality of  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  should be small. So the solubility of calcite become much smaller as gypsum or anhydrite solved in the solution. Conversely, the addition of calcite in water has little effect to the solubility of gypsum and anhydrite since the calcite solubility is small (Fig. 19).

### 3.2. Anhydrite – gypsum phase boundary in the TPX(temperature, pressure and NaCl molality) space

According to the phase rule,  $f = C - P + 2$ . Here,  $f$  is the degree of the freedom;  $C$  is the number of the

components and  $P$  is the number of phases. When calcium sulfate is dissolved in NaCl aqueous solution, there are 3 components, and the number of phases  $P$  equals 3, liquid, anhydrite and gypsum. So, the degree of the freedom  $f$  is 2. That is to say, when pressure and the NaCl molality are given, the temperature of the three phase coexistence can be determined, vice versa. With our model, we can calculate the gypsum–anhydrite coexistent temperature, pressure and NaCl molality. In another word, when two of the above three variables are given, the other can be determined. For example, we set pressure and NaCl molality as variables, the coexistent temperature can be calculated, and we fit the result with an equation.

$$T = a_1 + a_2 P + a_3 P^2 + a_4 m_{\text{NaCl}} + a_5 P m_{\text{NaCl}} + a_6 P^2 m_{\text{NaCl}} + a_7 m_{\text{NaCl}}^2 + a_8 m_{\text{NaCl}}^2 P \quad (28)$$

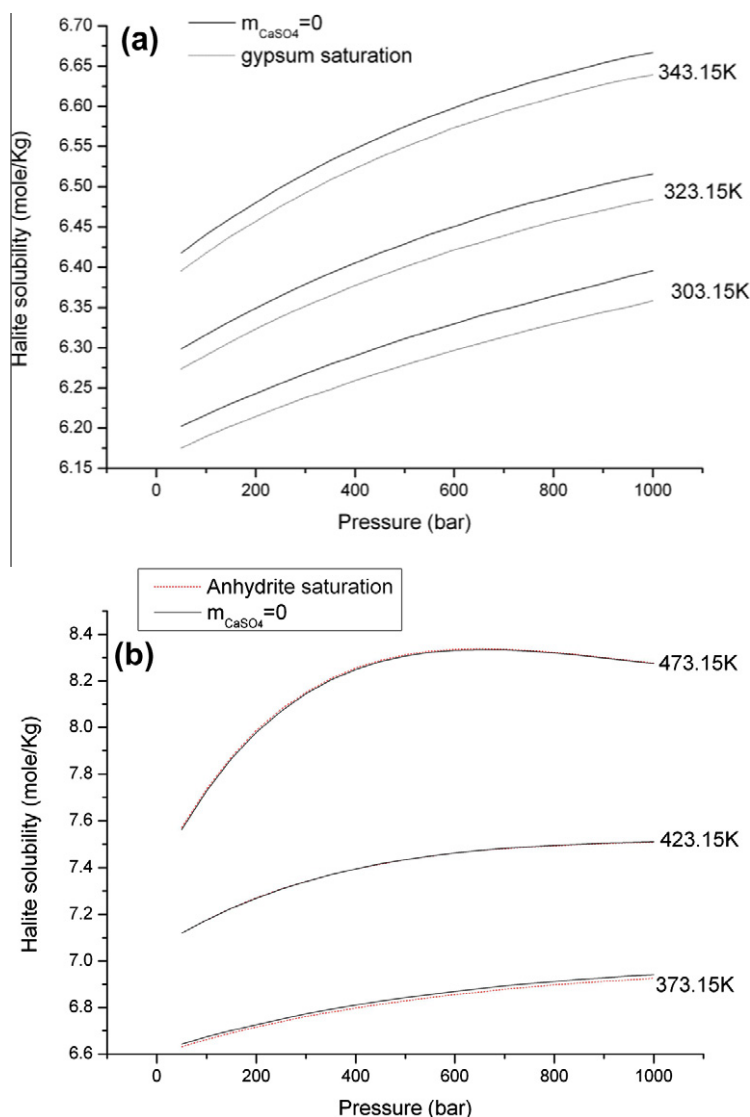


Fig. 17. Halite solubilities in pure water and in gypsum or anhydrite saturated solution varying with pressure at different temperatures.

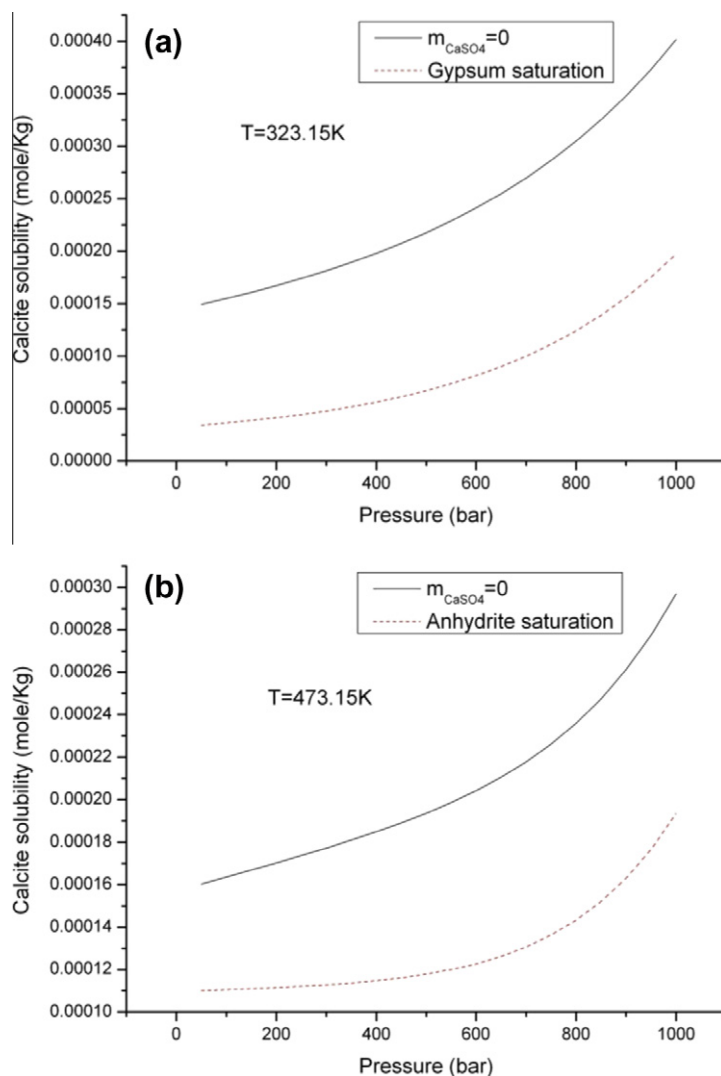


Fig. 18. Calcite solubilities in pure water and in gypsum or anhydrite saturated solution varying with pressure at different temperatures.

The parameters are listed in Table 7. Fig. 20 shows the coexistence temperature, pressure, and NaCl molality.

### 3.3. $\text{CO}_2$ solubility

Duan and Sun (2003) and Duan et al. (2006) established a model that can predict  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility in NaCl solution with NaCl molality up to 4.5 mol/Kg accurately. The model of Duan and Li (2008) increased the upper limit of NaCl from 4.5 m to the saturation of halite with same high accuracy. With this model,  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility can be predicted in the solutions with  $\text{CaSO}_4$  salts,  $\text{CaCO}_3$  salts and halite dissolved. As we know,  $\text{CaSO}_4$  salts have very low solubility in water or NaCl solution, so their influence on  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility is small which can be seen from Figs. 21 and 22.

### 3.4. pH value

pH value is a very important factor for predicting the dissolution and precipitation of the minerals in aqueous solutions. The pH value of the solution with  $\text{CO}_2\text{--NaCl--CaCO}_3\text{--CaSO}_4\text{--H}_2\text{O}$  can be calculated by the model. Figs. 23 and 24 show the variation of pH value in  $\text{CO}_2$  saturated solution with pressure, temperature, NaCl molality and the concentration of anhydrite or gypsum. From the figures, we can find that the addition of anhydrite or gypsum will increase the pH value of the solution at lower pressures and decrease the pH value at higher pressures.

## 4. CONCLUSION

Based on our previous work on the  $\text{H}_2\text{O--NaCl--CO}_2\text{--CaCO}_3$  system (Duan and Li), we developed a

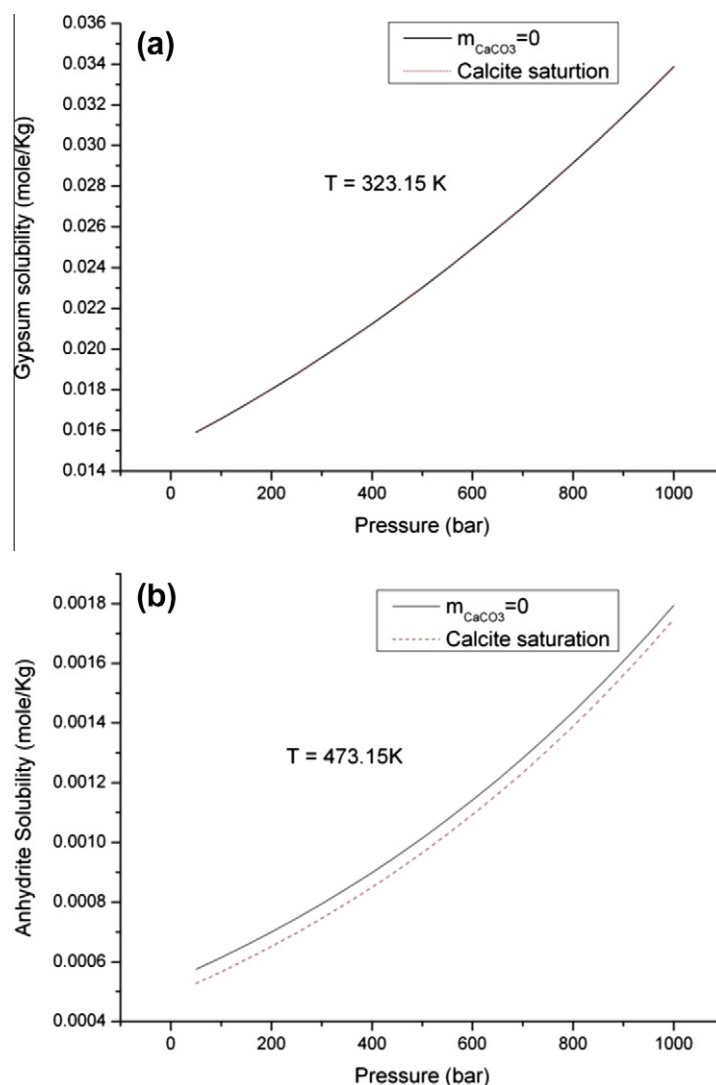


Fig. 19. Gypsum and anhydrite solubilities in pure water and calcite saturated solution varying with pressure at different temperatures.

thermodynamic equilibrium model for the quinary system,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{CO}_2-\text{NaCl}-\text{CaCO}_3-\text{CaSO}_4$  from 25 to 250 °C and from 1 to 1000 bar up to high salinities. This model simultaneously calculates equilibrium of the vapor ( $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), aqueous liquid phase ( $\text{H}^+$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{CaHCO}_3^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})^+$ ,

$\text{OH}^-$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{HCO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{HSO}_4^-$ ,  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{CO}_{2(\text{aq})}$ ,  $\text{CaCO}_{3(\text{aq})}$  and  $\text{CaSO}_{4(\text{aq})}$ ) and solid phases (halite, calcite, gypsum and anhydrite) as four solid phases.

While increase one more component ( $\text{CaSO}_4$ ) to the quaternary system substantially increases the complexity of modeling, all of the results of the previous model of Duan and Li (2008) can be reproduced by this model. The main contribution of this model can be summarized in three aspects: (1) The solubility of the minerals (calcite, halite gypsum and anhydrite) has been modeled as a function of temperature, pressure and salinity with accuracy close to experiment. In particular, the solubility of the minerals in aqueous solutions with NaCl,  $\text{CaCO}_3$  and  $\text{CO}_2$  can be predicted without fitting experimental data. The gypsum–anhydrite phase boundary can be predicted in the temperature–pressure space as a function of NaCl concentration; (2) the effect of dissolved  $\text{CaSO}_4$  component in aqueous solutions on the solubilities of halite, calcite and  $\text{CO}_2$  can be evaluated by this model. (3) The pH values,

Table 7

The parameters of coexistent temperature, pressure, and NaCl molality relation equation.

$a_1$	0.328158837806D+03
$a_2$	0.121400074586D-01
$a_3$	-.137086920950D-05
$a_4$	-.200540060072D+01
$a_5$	-.111430703466D-02
$a_6$	0.418805339550D-06
$a_7$	-.232129438458D+00
$a_8$	0.591930569232D-04

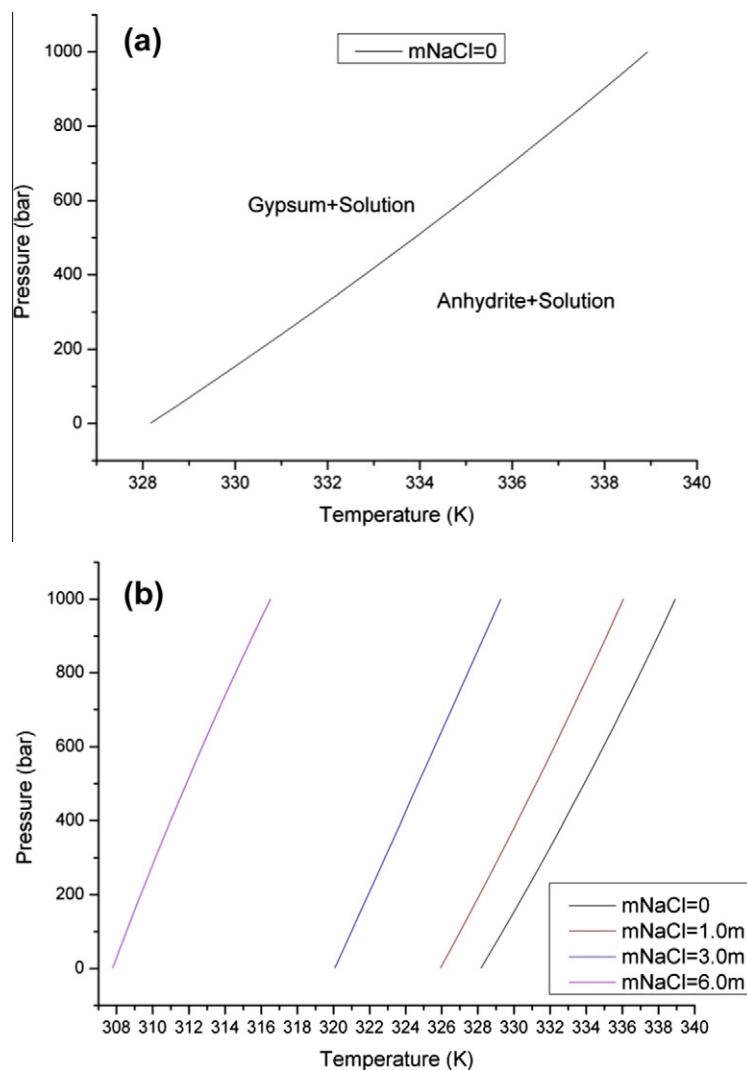


Fig. 20. Anhydrite and gypsum coexistent pressure and temperature at different NaCl molalities.

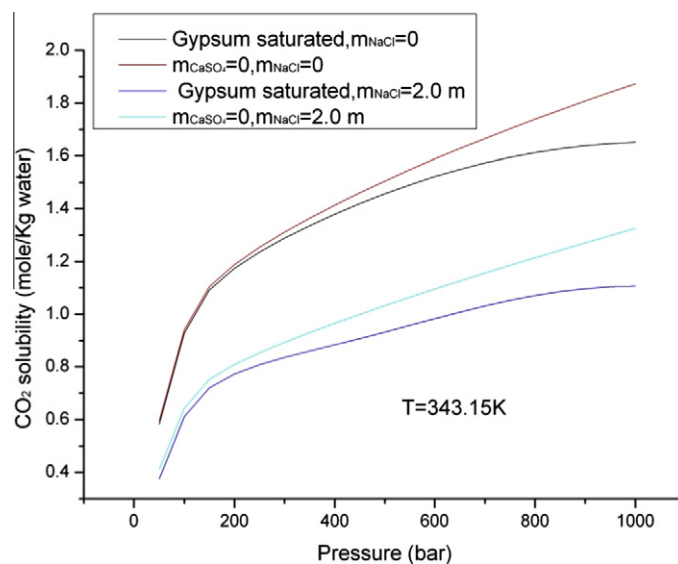


Fig. 21. Comparison of the  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility in pure water and in aqueous solution saturated with gypsum at 343.15 K.

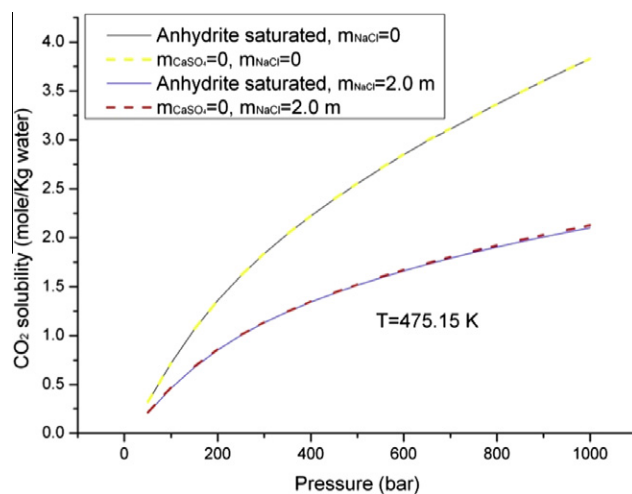


Fig. 22. Comparison of the  $\text{CO}_2$  solubility in pure water and in aqueous solution with saturated with anhydrite at 475.15 K.

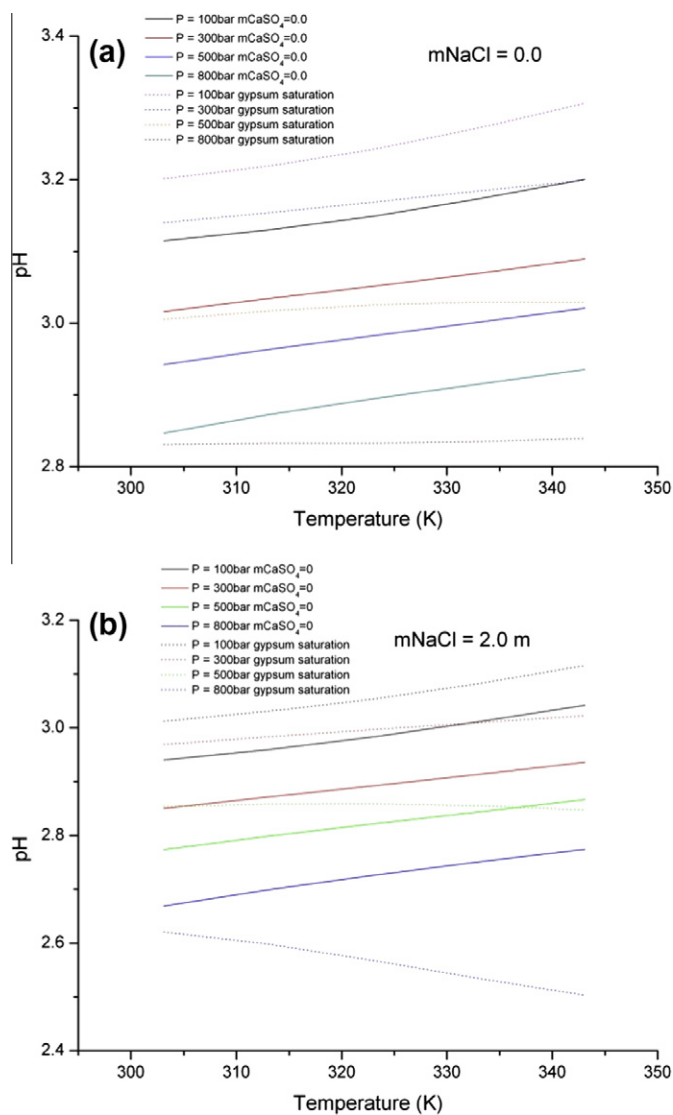


Fig. 23. pH values of aqueous solution with  $\text{CO}_2$  and gypsum saturated in water; (a)  $m_{\text{NaCl}}$  (the NaCl molality) = 0; (b)  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$  m.

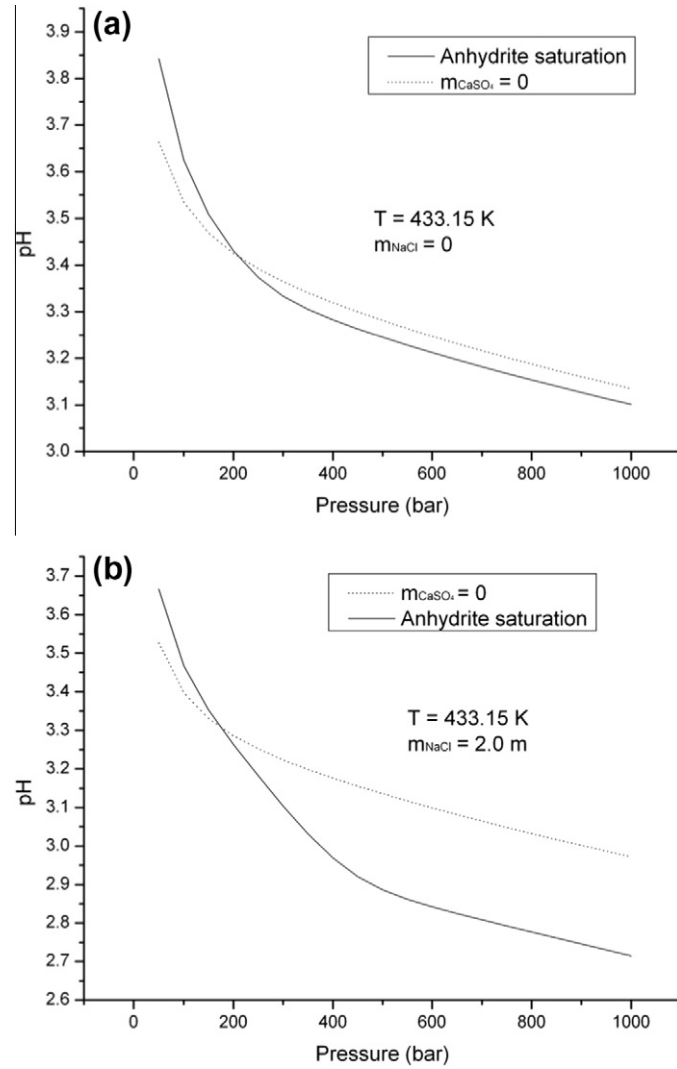


Fig. 24. pH values of solution with CO<sub>2</sub> and anhydrite saturated in water; (a) the NaCl molality  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 0$ ; (b) the NaCl molality  $m_{\text{NaCl}} = 2.0$  m.

alkalinity and speciation reactions of aqueous solutions with CO<sub>2</sub>, NaCl, CaCO<sub>3</sub> and CaSO<sub>4</sub> can be simultaneously calculated.

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#### APPENDIX A. THE PITZER MODEL

The Pitzer model developed by Pitzer (1973) has the following form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_i m_i(\phi - 1) = & 2 \left( -\frac{A^\phi I^{\frac{3}{2}}}{1 + 1.2I^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right) \\
 & + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_c m_a (B_{ca}^\phi + ZC_{ca}) \\
 & + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} \sum_{c'=c+1}^{N_c} m_c m_{c'} \left( \Phi_{cc'}^\phi + \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_a \psi_{cc'a} \right) \\
 & + \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} \sum_{a'=a+1}^{N_a} m_a m_{a'} \left( \Phi_{aa'}^\phi + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} m_c \psi_{aa'c} \right) \\
 & + \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_n m_a \lambda_{na} + \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} m_n m_c \lambda_{nc}
 \end{aligned} \tag{A1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \gamma_M = & z_M^2 F + \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_a (2B_{Ma} + ZC_{Ma}) \\ & + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} m_c \left( 2\Phi_{Mc} + \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_a \psi_{Mca} \right) \\ & + \sum_{a=1}^{N_a-1} \sum_{a'=a+1}^{N_a} m_a m_{a'} \psi_{aa'M} + |z_M| \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_c m_a C_{ca} \\ & + \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} m_n (2\lambda_{nM}) + 6 \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_n m_a \zeta_{Mna} \end{aligned} \quad (A2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \gamma_X = & z_X^2 F + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} m_c (2B_{cX} + ZC_{cX}) \\ & + \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_a \left( 2\Phi_{Xa} + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} m_c \psi_{Xac} \right) \\ & + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c-1} \sum_{c'=c+1}^{N_c} m_c m_{c'} \psi_{cc'X} + |z_X| \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_c m_a C_{ca} \\ & + \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} m_n (2\lambda_{nX}) + 6 \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} m_n m_c \zeta_{ncX} \end{aligned} \quad (A3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \gamma_N = & 2 \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} m_n \lambda_{Nm} + 2 \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} m_c \lambda_{Nc} + 2 \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_a \lambda_{Na} \\ & + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_c m_a \lambda_{Nca} \end{aligned} \quad (A4)$$

where  $\phi$  is the osmotic coefficient of the solvent.  $\Phi$  is the second virial coefficient.  $\lambda$  and  $\zeta$  are second-order and third-order interaction parameters, respectively.  $m_c$  and  $z_c$  are the molality and the charge of cation  $c$ .  $N_c$  is the total number of cations. Similar definitions apply for anions,  $a$ , and neutrals,  $n$ . The subscripts  $M$ ,  $X$  and  $N$  refer to cations, anions, and neutrals, respectively.  $F$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} F = & -A^\phi \left( \frac{1^{1/2}}{1+1.2I^{1/2}} + \frac{2}{1.2} \ln(1+1.2I^{1/2}) \right) \\ & + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} \sum_{a=1}^{N_a} m_c m_a m'_{cc'} B'_{ca} + \sum_{c=1}^{N_c-1} \sum_{c'=c+1}^{N_c} m_c m_{c'} \Phi'_{cc'} \\ & + \sum_{a=1}^{N_a-1} \sum_{a'=a+1}^{N_a} m_a m_{a'} \Phi'_{aa'} \end{aligned} \quad (A5)$$

$$C_{MX} = C_{MX}^\phi / 2 |Z_M Z_X|^2 \quad (A6)$$

$$Z = \sum_i |z_i| m_i \quad (A7)$$

$$B_{MX}^\phi = \beta_{MX}^{(0)} + \beta_{MX}^{(1)} e - \alpha_{MX} \sqrt{I} + \beta_{MX}^{(2)} e - 12\sqrt{I} \quad (A8)$$

$$B_{MX} = \beta_{MX}^{(0)} + \beta_{MX}^{(1)} g(\alpha_{MX} \sqrt{I}) + \beta_{MX}^{(2)} g(12\sqrt{I}) \quad (A9)$$

$$B'_{MX} = \beta_{MX}^{(1)} g'(\alpha_{MX} \sqrt{I}) / I + \beta_{MX}^{(2)} g'(12\sqrt{I}) / I \quad (A10)$$

$$g(x) = 2(1 - (1+x)e^{-x}) / x^2 \quad (A11)$$

$$\Phi_{ij}^\phi = \theta_{ij} + {}^E\theta_{ij}(I) + I {}^E\theta'_{ij}(I) \quad (A12)$$

$$\Phi_{ij} = \theta_{ij} + {}^E\theta_{ij}(I) \quad (A13)$$

$$\Phi'_{ij} = {}^E\theta'_{ij}(I) \quad (A14)$$

$${}^E\theta_{MN}(I) = \frac{Z_M Z_N}{4I} \left( J_0(X_{MN}) - \frac{1}{2} J_0(X_{MM}) - \frac{1}{2} J_0(X_{NN}) \right) \quad (A15)$$

$${}^E\theta'_{MN}(I) = \frac{Z_M Z_N^2}{8I} \left( J_1(X_{MN}) - \frac{1}{2} J_1(X_{MM}) - \frac{1}{2} J_1(X_{NN}) \right) - \frac{{}^E\theta_{MN}(I)}{I} \quad (A16)$$

where  $X_{MN} = 6z_M z_N A^\phi \sqrt{I}$ .

$$J_0(X) = \frac{1}{4} x - 1 + \frac{1}{x} \int_0^\infty \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{x}{y}\right) e^{-y} \right] y^2 dy$$

$$J_1(X) = \frac{1}{4} x - \frac{1}{x} \int_0^\infty \left[ 1 - \left( 1 + \frac{x}{y} e^{-y} \right) \times \exp\left(-\frac{x}{y} e^{-y}\right) \right] y^2 dy$$

where  $A^\phi$  is one third the Debye–Hückel limiting slope. What we need to do is to determine the Pitzer parameters,  $\beta_{MX}^{(0)}$ ,  $\beta_{MX}^{(1)}$ ,  $\beta_{MX}^{(2)}$  and  $C_{MX}^\phi$  for each cation–anion pair,  $\theta_{ij}$  for each cation–cation or anion–anion pair;  $\Psi_{ijk}$  for each cation–cation–anion and anion–anion–cation triplet,  $\lambda_{ni}$  for ion–neutral pairs, and  $\zeta_{nij}$  for neutral–anion–cation triplet.

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